**2016-17 NISCA National Dual Meet Team Ranking**

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It was a tremendous year for the National Dual Meet Team Ranking Program, as we hit an all-time high in terms of participation with 376 total entries; that’s up a whopping 25% from last year’s total of 301 teams. Many thanks you to all those who participated. If you didn’t, please consider doing so next year.

On the five pages that follow, you will see the 2016-2017 final rankings by class, and a summary of data page. Some notes about this year’s results:

* There were 201 boys’ and 175 girls’ entries (up from 165/138 a year ago.)
* 35 states and DC are represented – consistent with the last several years.
* Six states entered 20 or more teams – California, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.
* In all, seven schools were repeat champions: Southlake Carroll, TX (Class 4 – three straight), Mariemont, OH (Class 5), Ames, IA (Class 6), Upper Arlington, OH (Class 7 – ten straight), Carmel, IN (Class 8 – nine straight), St. Xavier, OH (Class 10 – three straight), and The Bolles School, FL (Class 11 – six straight).
* We had no double-winners, this year.
* St. Xavier was the top overall boys’ entry, with 6,525 points, Carmel was top amongst all girls’ entries, with 6,438 points.
* Ten teams were over 6,000 pts (up from 7 in ’16) and 121 squads had 5,000 or more (112 in 2016.)
* In the combined girl/boy battle, Carmel (12,454 pts) was tops, overall, with 39 schools totaling 10,000+.
* By enrollment, the top boy/girl combos included Weston, MA (Classes 1/5, 9,162 combined pts), Upper St. Clair, PA (Classes 2/6, 10,518 pts), Upper Arlington, OH (Classes 3/7, 11,272 pts), Carmel, IN (Classes 4/8, 12,454 pts), The Bolles School, FL (Classes 9/11, 11,633 pts), and Santa Margarita Catholic, CA (Classes 10/12, 12,098 pts).

A few words of thanks:

* First and foremost, thanks to Paul Torno, a true gentleman and my predecessor in this role, for his continued support.
* Thanks again to **IST – International Sports Timing** ([www.istime.com](http://www.istime.com)) for their continuing sponsorship of the program. Dick Farnsworth would be happy to talk with you about your timing, meet, and team management software, and water polo needs.
* As always, thanks to Matt Stewart, of Haverford HS (PA), for his continuing support of this effort, even beyond the spreadsheet that most of you use.
* Special thanks to “Hap” Gentry, of Ladue, Missouri: in 2016, we had no entries from Missouri, but thanks to his efforts, this year Missouri had 24 teams entered, good for 6th best total, overall.
* Many thanks to my fellow Massachusetts coaches as we more than doubled our entries from a year ago, going from 22 to 47 – most in the country.

Again, thank you to all those who participated in this great exhibition, this year. We truly appreciate your taking the time to enter, and hope you will do so again in the future.

It is an honor and pleasure to serve NISCA in this role. Please contact me with any questions.

Respectfully,

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