



POTOMAC VALLEY
SWIMMING

PVS Scholar Athlete Award

For PVS Athletes who were in Grades 9 through 12 during the 2025-2026 Academic Year

Background/Criteria

The purpose of this award is to emphasize the importance of scholastic achievement through a program that recognizes the scholastic excellence of Potomac Valley swimmers.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all PVS/USA Swimming athletes who:

1. Have completed grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 during 2025-2026;
2. Have attained a 3.5 or higher grade point average (GPA) for the 2025-2026 Academic Year; AND
3. Have achieved a 3.5, or higher, Event Standard Average in a minimum of five events.
NOTE: a maximum of two (2) 'B' times or one (1) 'C' time are permitted.

Note: The above wording has been updated to clarify current PVS requirements for receiving this award. The GPA requirement is for the 2025-2026 Academic Year. An applicant can have a GPA lower than 3.5 in a specific grading period, so long as the year-long GPA is 3.5 or greater. Also please note that per the PVS Board, modifications to these criteria will be considered to allow Athletes attending Fairfax County Schools to be judged on an equal basis with Athletes from other School Districts. Furthermore, Home-Schooled Athletes shall be eligible to participate, provided that their Application is reviewed and approved by a Committee appointed by the PVS Board.

Note

A student athlete must submit an online application.
No paper applications will be accepted.

APPLICATION

The Student Athlete must submit an online application. No paper applications will be accepted. Click here for the [Application](#).

A copy of the student's final report card must be uploaded during the Application process OR be sent to the Scholar Athlete Coordinator via email to: scholarathlete@pvswim.org

Event Average

To be eligible for the Award, an athlete must maintain a 3.5, or higher, event standard average in a **MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) EVENTS** offered in the swimmer's age group. Comparable Short Course Yards (SCY) and Long Course Meters (LCM) Events (i.e. 100 SCY Freestyle and 100 LCM Freestyle) are considered separate Events. Times must be obtained at a USA Swimming or Potomac Valley Swimming sanctioned, approved or observed short course or long course meets during the 2025 - 2026 season. High school dual-meet times may not be used. *(You may use the time standards applicable to your age on the first day of the meet.)*

Conversions

A, AA, AAA, AAAA = 4 pts.

B, BB = 3 pts.

Any Slower Time = 2 pts.



DEADLINE

All applications and report cards **MUST BE SUBMITTED AND/OR EMAILED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2026.**



Time Standards

You may find a copy of your times and time standard achieved from the USA Swimming website.

How to look up your Times and Standards

1. Go to the [USA Swimming Times Page](#) and get your Times.
2. Review the USAS [Time Standards](#) to see where your times rank.
3. Submit your Times/Standards with the Online Application.

Questions: Contact the Scholar Athlete Coordinator:

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