



Dear Adirondack Swimmers,

My name is Mark Lipkin and I swim for the Schenectady-Saratoga Swim Club. I have been swimming competitively since I was eight years old and swimming for fun since before I can remember. As your Junior Representative, I believe I'd bring new ideas to better our LSC.

Like you, I spend a lot of my life swimming. I have represented Adirondack as a swimmer in four Eastern Zone Age-Group Championships and now I want to represent you, the swimmers of Adirondack, to make sure that your voices are heard.

I have several ideas for how to make Adirondack Swimming thrive. First, I'd like to organize swim clinics where more experienced athletes can help newer athletes with skills. I would also like to work on programs to spark interest in the sport amongst younger kids who are not yet committed to a sport. Last summer, I worked as a counselor in training at the JCC and saw how much little kids love the water. I feel that if we could capture their enthusiasm early, we could get more kids involved in competitive swimming.

I thank you for considering me to be your 2018 Adirondack Junior Representative.