



Officials Excellence Award

Travis Nelson, Adirondack Swimming

Travis began his officiating career (as many of us did) as a result of his daughter joining the Duanesburg Eels Swim Team located in upstate New York. He quickly volunteered starting with attending a S&T clinic. Once Travis was LSC certified, there was no stopping him. He jumped in with both feet. He worked endless hours in every position asked, no matter how wet he got.

As part of the Adirondack officiating team, he recruited others, mentoring many and welcoming everyone. As time passed, Travis became proficient in all Adirondack certified positions: S&T, CJ, Starter, and Referee. He volunteered for many meets his team or daughter didn't participate in, making sure all Adirondack meets had adequate coverage. Travis is truly what officiating is all about, ensuring all swimmers have the best possible swim. His presence on the pool deck is always calming and upbeat. He gets along well with all swimmers, coaches and, of course, the officials.

Travis, on behalf of Adirondack Swimming, thank you for all your volunteer hours and dedication to the sport of swimming.