



Scholarships & Awards

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Each summer, GPSA recognizes outstanding swimmers and coaches through two special programs. These awards honor individuals who embody the spirit of GPSA swimming and give back to our community.

Programs at a Glance

Program	For	Award	Deadline
J. Kyle Hurdle Scholarship	Graduating seniors	Up to \$800	July 26, 2026
Kei Lamberson Coach Award	Coaches	\$500	July 26, 2026

Winners are announced at the **Championship Meet (City Meet)** on August 1, 2026.

J. Kyle Hurdle Scholarship

i For graduating GPSA seniors pursuing higher education

The J. Kyle Hurdle Scholarship honors a U.S. Naval Academy Midshipman who swam for GPSA before his sudden passing in 2001. Kyle exemplified determination and integrity both in the water and in life.

Award amounts:

- **1st Place:** \$800 (male & female)
- **2nd Place:** \$400 (male & female)
- **Honorable Mention:** \$200 (male & female)

Total awarded annually: \$2,800

To apply: Graduating seniors write an essay and submit through their GPSA Representative.

[View Full Details & Apply](#)

Kei Lamberson Outstanding Coach Award

i Recognizing coaches who connect with every swimmer

The Kei Lamberson Award honors a beloved Marlbank coach who approached life with joy, compassion, and companionship. He made a point to connect with each swimmer and bring out the best in every individual.

Award amount: \$500

To nominate: GPSA families nominate deserving coaches through their GPSA Representative.

[View Full Details & Nominate](#)

Key Dates for 2026

Date	Event
July 26, 2026	Application/nomination deadline (midnight)
August 1, 2026	Winners announced at the Championship Meet

How to Participate

1. **Swimmers:** Talk to your [GPSA Representative](#) about applying for the Hurdle Scholarship
2. **Families:** Nominate a coach who has made an impact on your swimmer
3. **Representatives:** Encourage eligible swimmers and collect nominations from families

All submissions go through your team's GPSA Representative to scholarships@gpsaswimming.org.

Related Resources

- [J. Kyle Hurdle Scholarship](#) - Full eligibility and application details
- [Kei Lamberson Outstanding Coach Award](#) - Full nomination process
- [GPSA Representative Duties](#) - Role of the GPSA Representative in the process