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### **Charlotte Aquatic Center Hosts Lansing League Meet**

The snowstorm on January 19<sup>th</sup> could not stop the annual Lansing Area Middle School League Championships, which were hosted by the Charlotte Aquatic Center this year. All told, over 150 boys and 213 girls were in competition, and were joined by many volunteers, meet officials and several hundred spectators. This was the first League Championship Meet hosted by the Charlotte Aquatic Center.

The teams competing included: DeWitt, St. Johns, Okemos, Grand Ledge, Williamston, Jackson Parkside, East Lansing, Eaton Rapids, Holt, Haslett, Waverly, Mason, Lansing and the hosting Orioles. Exciting action kicked off Friday evening as a meet record was set by Caroline Li, Okemos, in one meter diving with a score of 242.55. Fast swimming continued throughout the weekend.



Notable swims from Charlotte swimmers included a 6<sup>th</sup> place finish in the 50 freestyle by Logan Weicht, followed by a 12<sup>th</sup> place finish in the same event by Joseph Davis. Alex Pratt finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 100 breaststroke. On the girl's side, Carly Culver finished 16<sup>th</sup> in the 100 breaststroke and Ally Pratt finished 25<sup>th</sup> in the same event.

The Charlotte Middle School swim team is in its seventh year as a program for Charlotte Public Schools and is made up of many swimmers from the Charlotte Tiger Sharks. The Tiger Sharks is an area youth swim club who call the Charlotte Aquatic Center home. Once swimmers conclude their middle school swimming careers, they have the opportunity to join the Charlotte High School swim and dive team. While the middle school season may have wrapped up, there is still plenty of CHS action as the Orioles host Ovid-Elsie on February 5<sup>th</sup> and Ionia on February 7<sup>th</sup>.