

Swimmers take on Eaton, Northridge

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When the Skyline meet fell through for the HHS swimmers Thursday, Jan. 17, the team felt fortunate that the Eaton and Northridge coaches expanded their dual to a triangular to include Holyoke.

Coach Luke Thomas reported the girls weren't able to gain enough points to take down Eaton, but they did defeat Northridge.

Team points in the North-ridge dual came down to the last event when Lori McWilliams, the anchor for the 400 free relay, outreached Eaton's swimmer to the wall, giving Holyoke a first place in the event and enough points to defeat Northridge.

McWilliams was joined by teammates Dani Brandt, LaKyla Moore and Jayden Durbin to not only win the 400 free relay event, but to place second in both the 200 free and the 200 medley relays.



HHS swim team members share a light moment after warm-ups and before competition at the Jan. 17 triangular in Eaton. Team members are pictured, clockwise, starting at far left, Jayden Durbin, Malena McWilliams, Meg Strauss, Jentry Andersen, Dani Brandt, Anastasia Conklin, Katlin Davis, LaKyla Moore, Brittney Prottzman, Ashley Humphreys and Lori McWilliams.

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In individual events, second-place finishes were earned by Brandt in the 200 free, Moore in the 100 butterfly and Brittney Protsman in the 500 free.

Lori McWilliams placed third in the 50 free, Ashley Humphreys fourth in the 200 free and fifth in the 100 backstroke, Jentry Andersen fourth in the 100 free and Durbin fifth in the 100 breaststroke.

Anastasia Conklin set two new personal records in the 50 free and 100 free.

This week, the Dragons have another triangular meet with Estes Park and Northridge at the Greeley Rec Center. The conference meet is Feb. 1-2 at the Greeley Rec Center, followed by state championships Feb. 8-9 to end the season.

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