



Lindsay Wright

Year of Induction: **2014**

Year of Graduation: **2006**

Former Johnson City swim coach Jim White (JC Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2007) had the opportunity to work with hundreds of young athletes in the pool. He coached champions at all levels and watched countless young ladies accomplish great feats; however, when describing Lindsay Wright, JCHS Class of 2006, he said, “She is, undoubtedly, the greatest swimmer I ever coached”. When considering Lindsay’s career, one can understand how Coach White could make such a statement.

Ms. Wright began her varsity swim career in the fall of 2000 as a 7th grader. She made an immediate impact on the team, earning 1st place in the 200 Free Relay at sectionals. This was just the start of a career marked by unequaled achievements:

--All Conference:

50 Free and 100 Free—2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

200 Free Relay—2000, 2001, 2002, 2004

400 Free Relay—2003, 2004

--Team MVP: 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

--Empire State Games Medalist: 3 Golds, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze

Over the course of 4 seasons from 2002-2005, Lindsay never lost a 50 Freestyle race in a dual meet. From 2003-2005, she never lost a 100 Freestyle race in a dual meet. She was a finalist in the New York State swim meet seven times, finishing in the top eight in every event. She twice recorded the highest place ever awarded to a Johnson City female swimmer by finishing 2nd in the 200 Free Relay in 2002 and finishing 2nd in the 50 Freestyle in 2004. By the time her career as a Wildcat was over, Lindsay owned or was part of five school records: 50 Freestyle, 100 Freestyle, 100 Butterfly, 200 Free Relay, and the 400 Free Relay. Her innumerable accomplishments in the pool earned her the distinction of being the only female swimmer in Johnson City history to earn a full athletic scholarship in her sport.

It has been said that the greatest compliment an athlete can earn comes in the form of respect by her coach. In addition to the words of Coach White as noted above, Lindsay’s Assistant Coach Chris Verity had this to say about her, “What I remember about Lindsay is that it was a great feeling as a coach to

know that we could match her up with the other team's best swimmer, and we always knew that she would win. She came to every practice and meet ready to work her hardest."

The Johnson City Athletic Hall of Fame is proud to welcome a swimmer who always outworked and outperformed the competition, Ms. Lindsay Wright, JCHS Class of 2006.