**Mississippi Swimming Junior Athlete Representative Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Age: \_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of years you have swam for Mississippi Swimming: \_\_\_\_­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Write a brief essay on a separate sheet of paper on why you would like to become the next Junior Athlete Rep for Mississippi Swimming and what you would do to help improve Mississippi Swimming. Attach the separate sheet of paper to this form.

**Requirements to run for Junior Rep:**

1. Athlete must be 16 years old or a Sophomore in high school by his or her first day in office (Jan 1st).
2. Athlete must be a current USA Swimming member.
3. Athlete must have contacted current Senior Rep before Long Course State Meet.
4. Athlete cannot be from the same team as the current Junior Rep unless there are no other nominations.

**For campaigning at Long Course State Championships:**

1. No more than $50 can be spent on campaign materials (keep and turn in receipts to Senior Athlete Rep if possible)
2. No signs are allowed to be hung inside Tupelo Aquatic Center or other venue, but a maximum of 3 yard signs (no larger than 4x4 ft) are allowed to be placed outside
3. Flyers, buttons, and stickers are allowed
4. Only positive campaign material!

**Expectations of the Junior Rep:**

1. Attend Mississippi Swimming House of Delegates Meetings (2 per year).
2. Attend USA Swimming Annual Convention (usually held in September).
3. Willing to listen to problems and suggestions of swimmers, coaches, etc.
4. Willing to report concerns, problems, suggestions to MS Swimming House of Delegates.

If elected, athlete will be in office for 2 consecutive years: 1st year as Junior Rep, 2nd year as Senior Rep.

Send a copy of this form and essay to the current Senior Vice-Chair and current Senior Athlete Rep by Long Course State. See Mississippi Swimming website for current Senior Vice-Chair and Senior Rep.

Elections will be held at Long Course State Meet. Be prepared to give a short (1-minute max) speech to the 13&over athletes at the meet. A vote will be taken and the new rep will be announced at the meet.