FCA Swimmer of the Month: February 2020

# **Novice**

This swimmer comes to practice with an amazing "can do" attitude every day. Her effervescent and infectious energy plays a significant role in raising everyone's spirits--including the coaches!! It is no surprise that she has improved in leaps and bounds and now finds herself as one of the practice leaders in lane 3--after just one season! But the big cherry on the top of this exemplary seasonal effort is earning a Silver Championship cut in the 100 Breast. Congratulations, and keep it up **Elena Blanco**, you are for the Novice Swimmer of the Month!

### **Practice Kudos**

Max Behling, Charlie, Cohen, Dan Fenesan & Simeon Kohler - 14

# **Junior**

This athlete sets the standard for hard work and leadership. To boot, we can always count on him to contribute 110% at practices and support his teammates 120%! What goes around comes around, and this kind of karma caused coaches to do cartwheels when he landed 8 PRs--including TWO Junior Olympic cuts at the UDAC Invitational. He has overcome challenges this season including a broken foot that left him in a boot for 6 weeks. But that did not dampen his spirits or his drive and determination when he was able to get back in the pool. The future looks very bright for this young man, and we all look forward to witnessing his evolving journey. Great job, **Chase Rose**--you are the Junior Swimmer of the Month!!

# **Practice Kudos**

### **Junior Gold**

Oskar Bauriedel, Penelope English & Mathilde Reliquet - 18

#### Junior

Gwendolyn Burris & Molly Doyle – 19 Chase Rose - 18

# **Senior**

February was a very special month for this swimmer. Despite the extra curricular demands that took her out of town and out of the pool at a key training juncture, this Freshman found true grit and stepped up, as we say, *big time!* At Easterns, she racked up 2 individual high school records and was on 2 record setting relays. A few days later, she was back on the blocks for Junior Olympics. This time placing Top 15 in 3 events--destroying the two-minute barrier in the 200 Free with a 1:57 in the process. A whirlwind of success has certainly given this athlete and this team something to be proud of. Way to go **Clair Pillar** aka "CP", you ARE the Senior Swimmer of the Month!

### **Practice Kudos**

Octavio Melendez & Maxwell Serota - 27 Madeline Anderson & Boris Kohler - 25