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I just want to say what the Osborn pool and staff has done for our family. We do not live in Corvallis. We are actually from Lebanon. My son Casey was a fairly good swimmer and by the time he was in junior high he had grown beyond what resources were available to him in Lebanon. He was welcomed at Osborn where he continued to train and grow. The coaches and swim team at Osborn helped him teach limits he wouldn't have been able to otherwise achieve. He committed to trying to take advantage of everything that was offered to him. Before he could drive that meant me taking him to practice every day and waiting in Corvallis till he finished. Once he started driving he often went to Corvallis twice a day for practices. Early in the morning, then back to Lebanon for school, then back to Corvallis for evening practice.

Because of the help and dedication of the staff and coaches at Osborn, he received a full ride swimming scholarship to a D-1 school. As a single mom of 4 kids it would have been impossible for me to send him to college. He now has his "dream job" coaching swimming in the Seattle area. Trying to give back some of the valuable life lessons he learned while being a part of the Osborn family.