

Jason (Jay) Kay

Jason (Jay) Kay is a 2001 graduate of Hillsborough High School.

Jay was a multi-sport athlete for Hillsborough High School, participating in both baseball and swimming, but it is his swimming during his junior and senior years that has earned him a spot in the Hillsborough High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

As a junior, Jay set school records in the 100-fly and the 50-free. In both strokes he qualified for the state Meet of Champions where he finished third in the 50-free and tenth in the 100-fly. He was the Somerset County and the Skyland Conference Champion in both the 50-free and the 100-fly.



In his senior year, Jay continued to excel in the pool. He was named team captain and set school records in the 50-free, the 100-free, the 200-free, the 100-fly, and the 100-back. At Somerset County Championships, he finished 1st in the 50-free, 2nd in the 100-fly, and was part of the 1st place 200-free relay team. At that meet he broke the 50-free meet record that had been set in 1996 by his HHS swim coach, Todd Sudol. Jay once again qualified for the state Meet of Champions where he finished 2nd in the 100-free, 2nd in the 50-free while setting a new Somerset County 50-free record, and 6th as part of the 200-medley relay team. Jay was named First Team All Conference, All Area, and All State. Other awards earned by Jay during his senior year were the Hillsborough Beacon Athlete of the Week; The Star Ledger Swimmer of the Year and Race of the Year; and the NISCA State Top 16 Award for the 50-free, 100-free, 200-free, and 200-medley relay.

After graduation, Jay continued his outstanding swimming career at Seton Hall University where he received a full scholarship for swimming. His freshman year he was the team's top freestyle sprinter and was part of the 200-free relay team that set a new school record. His sophomore year he broke the 50-free school record at the Big East Championships. Junior year he was part of the 200-medley relay team and the 400-free relay team that set new meet records at the Patriot Invitational. His senior year he was the recipient of the Seton Hall University Leadership Award. For all four years at Seton Hall, Jay was a Top 16 Finisher in the Big East Championships in the 50-free and the 100-free, a Top 16 Finisher in the U.S. Open in the 50-free and the 100-free, and a Big East Academic All Star.

The Hall of Fame Committee is proud to induct Jason (Jay) into the class of 2014.