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With determination and encouragement from friends and family, Kinzie Redd, 6, does her best to make it to the finish.

Racers advance to next round

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Three members of the Dawsonville Racers girls swim team qualified for the state meet.

Lauren Dare and Brooke Dare, age group 15-18, and Isabelle Kinsey, 7-8 age group, will represent the Racers in Tifton Thursday through Saturday.

Kinsey picked up two second place finishes in the 25-yard backstroke and the 100-yard IM.

In the backstroke, Kinsey completed the race with a time of 21.36, just barely getting edged out by .15 of a second for first place.

Lauren Dare touched the wall in first for the 50-yard backstroke with a time of 34.11. She was also a runner-up in the 50-yard fly. She will compete in both events in Tifton.

Racer Brooke Dare qualified for state with two third place finishes in the 50-yard freestyle and the 50-yard breaststroke.

Also competing in the district competition at the Lanier Aquatic Center were Brenna Kudlas in the 25-yard free stroke and 25-yard breaststroke.

Representing the 9-10 year-olds was Anna Mulberry in the 25-yard free and 25-yard breaststroke.

For the 11-12 years olds, Bella Ragey raced in the 50-yard freestyle and 50-yard backstroke. Katie Mulberry swam in the 50-yard freestyle and 50-yard fly. Dessie Durham competed in the 50-yard free and 50-yard backstroke.

Erin Jones, 13-14 year-old age group, raced in the 50-yard freestyle and 50-yard breaststroke.

Coach Stephanie Morgan’s team finished in eighth place with 44 team points.

Winning the GRPA district championship were the Jefferson Sea Dragons with 449 points, followed by runner-up Oconee County Park and Recreation with 388 points.