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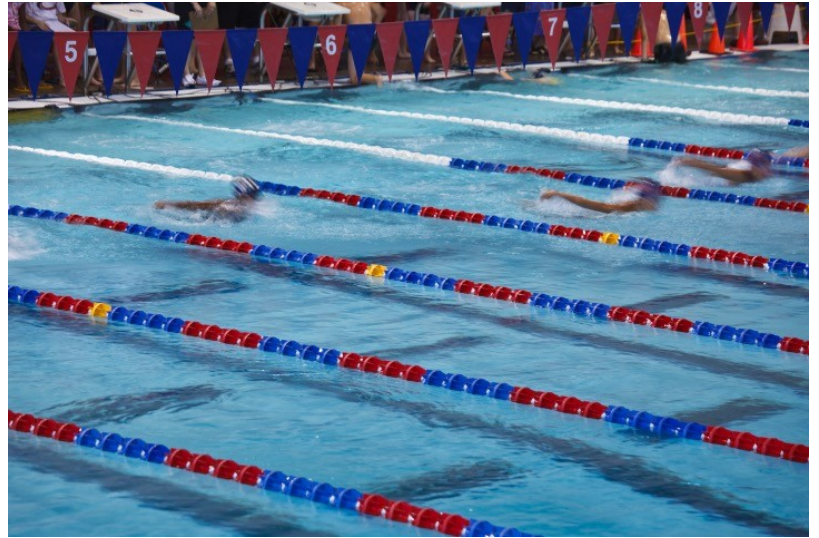
## DeSantis Declares Weyant the Real Victor in NCAA Freestyle Final. NCAA Permitted Man to Swim as a Woman

GOP Florida Governor Ron DeSantis dunked “transgender” ideology this week by declaring Sarasota resident Emma Weyant the winner of the NCAA’s Division I 500-yard freestyle swimming championship.

The University of Virginia’s Weyant came in second behind the University of Pennsylvania’s “Lia” Thomas, a man who pretends he is a woman.

In a proclamation issued Tuesday, DeSantis declared that Thomas is a man, that his competing against women is unfair, and that “transgender” ideology must not trump biology.

Thus, Weyant is the true victor.



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By allowing men to compete in women's sports, the NCAA is destroying opportunities for women, making a mockery of its championships, and perpetuating a fraud.

In Florida, we reject these lies and recognize Sarasota's Emma Weyant as the best women's swimmer in the 500y freestyle. [pic.twitter.com/tBmFxFE3q6](https://pic.twitter.com/tBmFxFE3q6)

— Ron DeSantis (@GovRonDeSantis) [March 22, 2022](#)

### Rightful Winner

The ridiculous debate about “transgenderism” flared again because the NCAA, in an obsequious bow to leftist wokery, [permits men](#) to masquerade as women and compete in women’s events.

Result: The men cheat the women out of their victories. The latest is Thomas — real name, William — [a mediocre swimmer](#) in the men’s division who suddenly became a star in the women’s.

Thomas defeated Weyant on Saturday.

And so, with the usual string of whereases, DeSantis declared Weyant the winner for these reasons:

- Weyant logged “the fastest time among all women swimmers;”
- “A male identifying as a woman was allowed to compete in and was declared the winner of the race;”
- “Emma was determined to have come in second place;” and
- The NCAA’s “actions serve to erode opportunities for women athletes and perpetuate a fraud against women athletes as well as the public at large.”

DeSantis also declared that women have “fought for decades to have equal opportunities in athletics, and it is wrong to allow ideology to erode these opportunities as is happening in other states, and the



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preservation of women-specific athletic teams or sports is necessary to promote equality of athletic opportunities.”

Men who pose as women rob athletes such as Weyant of their awards and achievement, he declared, and so Florida “rejects the NCAA’s efforts to destroy women’s athletics, disapproves of the NCAA elevating ideology over biology, and takes offense at the NCAA trying to make others complicit in a lie.”

Thus did the governor declare Weyant “the rightful winner.”

## Other Victims

Weyant wasn’t the only victim of the NCAA’s permitting what amounts to cheating.

Another swimmer, Reka Gyorgy, was knocked out of the final altogether, as [The New American reported](#), when she came in 17th in the qualifying race. The first 16 competitors went to the finals. It was the final meet of Gyorgy’s career at Virginia Tech.

Virginia Tech swimmer Reka Gyorgy has released a full statement on the NCAA allowing Lia Thomas to compete in the 500 freestyle. She was 17th in the event.

“Every event that transgender athletes participated in was one spot taken away from biological females throughout the meet” [pic.twitter.com/Z0J9IUY3pN](https://pic.twitter.com/Z0J9IUY3pN)

— Kyle Sockwell (@kylesockwell) [March 20, 2022](#)

Gyorgy wrote a protest letter to the NCAA.

The defeat for Weyant is only the latest unfair result of the NCAA’s kowtowing to “transgender” ideology.

Another failed athlete [surfaced as a woman](#) at Franklin Pierce University in 2019 as “CeCe” Telfer. Telfer — real name, Craig — raced to victory in the NCAA’s Division II 400-meter hurdles. He also won other events.

A critic at Turtleboy Sports explained why Telfer had such an advantage over women.

“In the hurdles there is a distinct advantage for being taller,” [Uncle Turtleboy wrote](#):

The men’s hurdles are six inches taller than the women’s hurdles, and closer together, and CeCe [Telfer] is very tall.

Because he’s a dude. He can literally step over hurdles like they’re barely there. For the last 21 years his bones have been growing like any biological male, his muscles have been getting stronger like any biological male, and there is testosterone running through his body. All of these things give him unfair advantages. In a sane world we would call this cheating. But in America in 2019 we call it social progress.

In just its 7th year of existence, the [@FPURavensXCTF](#) has its first national champion. Senior CeCe Telfer took control of the 400-meter hurdles on Sat. PM and went on to post victory w/ a personal best time of 57.53. Read more here; <https://t.co/vCukMSb7vS>  
[pic.twitter.com/gE3v7HQ3Ml](https://pic.twitter.com/gE3v7HQ3Ml)



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— Franklin Pierce (@FPUniversity) [May 26, 2019](#)

The advent of the “transgender” athletes is enraging feminists and even lesbians who support “transgender rights.”

“You can’t just proclaim yourself a female and be able to compete against women,” lesbian tennis champion Martina Navratilova wrote in a now-deleted tweet in December 2018. “There must be some standards, and having a penis and competing as a woman would not fit that standard.”

Navratilova also wrote a column about the problem for *The Times of London*.

[Wrote Navratilova:](#)

To put the argument at its most basic: a man can decide to be female, take hormones if required by whatever sporting organization is concerned, win everything in sight and perhaps earn a small fortune, and then reverse his decision and go back to making babies if he so desires.... It’s insane and it’s cheating. I am happy to address a transgender woman in whatever form she prefers, but I would not be happy to compete against her. It would not be fair.

The NCAA disagrees.



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