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## **The Woodlands Township lifeguards win regional competition**

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (August 12, 2021) – The Woodlands Township lifeguards recently concluded another successful lifeguard competition season with a first-place overall finish at the Gulf Coast Guard Games.

“The Woodlands Township lifeguards are an exceptional group who work daily to keep swimmers safe at the community pools. Lifeguard competitions are an extension of our extensive training program which enhances safety for our community members ” said Parks and Recreation Director Chris Nunes. “We are very proud of their first-place finish at the Gulf Coast Guard Games.”

The Woodlands Township brought five teams that competed in events testing their skills in CPR/First Aid, Water Surveillance and Rescue, and Spinal Management. All five teams placed in the top three of every event and one team won first place overall in the competition.

The Gulf Coast Guard Games is a regional lifeguard competition that requires lifeguards to react to simulated scenarios. In each scenario, the team must work together to identify the challenge and its dangers to those in the area. Teams are judged on accurately identifying and appropriately responding to the issues presented to them as well as the quality of customer service they provide during the challenge. The Gulf Coast Aquatics Association hosted the competition on July 19, 2021.

For more information about The Woodlands Township, please call 281-210-3800 or visit [www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov](http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov).



*One of The Woodlands Township lifeguard teams took first place overall at the Gulf Coast Guard Games on July 19, 2021. From left, Township Aquatics Superintendent Marty Mulgrew, lifeguards Drew Fenner, Nick Provost, Scottie Curtis, Ryan Katri, Kate Pittinger and Lifeguard Coordinator Zach Tekavec.*



*The Woodlands Township Lifeguard Competition Teams competed at the Gulf Coast Guard Games on July 19, 2021. From left, Township Lifeguard Coordinator Zach Tekavec; lifeguards Drew Fenner, Scottie Curtis, Chase Henderson, Nathan Provost, Ryan, Tresaugue, Sam Kosieja, Richard Monks, Caden Citso, Jenna Jaffray, Keely Merrill, Kate Pittinger, Abby Decker, Taytum Hudanish; Aquatics Superintendent Marty Mulgrew; lifeguards Gavin Montalto, Nick Provost, Ryan Katri, Brynn Johnson, John Frederick, Tygerlilly Loebach, Madeline Petrie, Robyn Kowalski and Addisyn Tague.*