

# UNC aims to erase near miss Survey to steer campus child care

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One year ago, .05 points prevented the North Carolina gymnastics team from qualifying for the NCAA championship meet — a difference the team did not even realize at the time was so slight.

"Last year at the regional meet, we weren't paying a lot of attention to the scores," said UNC coach Derek Galvin. "We were focusing more on our performances. We didn't know how close it was until the end of the meet."

The No. 12 Tar Heels (28-2) are in search of those .05 points — or however many it will take to receive their first bid to nationals in school history on Saturday at Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh.

Senior Maddy Curley said she feels added pressure after last

year's close meet, but she called it positive pressure.

"We know that every landing counts, every single deduction," she said. "We can't give away anything."

Senior Anna Wilson, who qualified for nationals last year individually, echoed a similar sentiment.

"We just need to hit in order to qualify for nationals," Wilson said. "We can beat all of the other teams there — excluding UCLA."

The No. 1 Bruins have won 10 of the last 11 regional championships and four NCAA titles in seven years.

"At UCLA last year, they put in their second-string girls, and we were looking forward to seeing their Olympians," Curley said. "It'll be neat that they'll have former Olympians competing against us."

But all UNC needs is a second-place finish to qualify for nationals,

which still will be a competitive slot to win. No. 13 Nebraska, whose season average is higher than UNC's, will also compete.

Two weeks ago at the East Atlantic Gymnastics League championship meet, UNC counted one fall and took steps that cost them first place. Galvin attributed it to overexcitement, as the Tar Heels gained too much height and over-rotated elements in their routines.

"Our focus will be on executing our routines to the optimal level that we are capable of," Galvin said. "If we improve our execution, don't count any falls, and have a great meet and don't have the score that we need to go on to the championships, there won't be any regrets."

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Once the results of a campuswide survey concerning on-campus child care needs are completed this summer, they will be evaluated and sent to the Office of the Provost for review and possible implementation.

The results of the survey, conducted last year by the Chancellor's Child Care Advisory Committee, will help officials decide which road to take.

"We'll look at the survey results, and what is indicated to be the most pressing needs," said Leslie Bacque, UNC's work-family manager and a member of the committee.

But Martha Waller, child care issues co-coordinator for the Graduate and Professional Student Federation, said that after the

results are in, it's up to the provost to implement change.

Provost Robert Shelton said the decision regarding child care is critical. "I know we need to figure out what we need to do and do it," he said.

Child care is a pressing issue many student parents face, Bacque said. "We cater to a younger population here, so it's important to provide resources that allow students to complete their education."

A Family Resource Fair, sponsored by the GPSF, the Office of Human Resources and the Carolina Women's Center, was held Thursday in the Student Union and featured family resource providers and included child care information.

The event was held to give UNC families information about different available services.

The fair helped increase awareness of the variety of services open to parents, Waller said.

"We've been wanting to get information out to parents that they aren't aware of," she said.

For example, there is a day-care facility available — the Victory Village Day Care Center, located at the Friday Center's Victory Village.

"This center enrolls children of students, UNC employees and hospital workers," Bacque said.


Waller said affordable day care is a necessity for student parents so they can complete their schooling successfully.

"I think it affects the quality of students who will attend the University," she said. "We need a supportive environment for families, so it's so much easier for students to do well."

Waller said a possible child-care option included a drop-off center, where students could leave their children temporarily. "We're trying to have day care on campus that would go into the evening," she said. "That way, students would have time to participate in study groups or take an exam."

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