## Belin named Linn-Mar boys swim coach

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Tom Belin has been a volunteer coach for the Linn-Mar boys swimming team for the past three years. Now he'll get paid for the job.

Belin has been selected to succeed Ralph Cortez as Linn-Mar's head coach, it was announced Monday. Cortez resigned in August.

Belin is a nationally ranked Masters age group swimmer and had three top-five finishes at the 2012 Masters National Swimming Championship. He's also worked as a coach with the USA Swimming club.

"He has a tremendous amount of knowledge in regards to swimming," Linn-Mar athletic director Scott Mahmens said in a news release. "Tom has a tremendous work ethic and possesses great drive and determination.

"Tom will put in the time and effort to make the Linn-Mar boys swimming program a contender in the powerful MVC Conference."

Linn-Mar is building a new aquatics center on school grounds. Currently, the Lions practice and host meets at Coe College.

Belin is the owner/operator of KAJAT Properties and a business consultant for Discover Financial Services.