

# Sportsmanship Action Team



The essential elements of character building and ethics in CIF sports are to model and advocate for ethics in school sports that are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and the six core principles: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.

# **Eligibility**

The **S**ports **A**ction **T**eam (SAT) is open to all current athletes attending high school. Athletes will:

- advise the Tulare County Office of Education, CHARACTER COUNTS! (CC!), Pursuing Victory with Honor Program (PVWH) on the status of sports from a student- athletes point of view.
- be willing to create a positive athletic culture between teams and spectators.
- have opportunities for community service and leadership.
- plan and implement PVWH at your school.

## Program Expectations

- Attend all SAT meetings.
- Honor the traditions of the sport and to treat other participants with respect.
- Model respectful behavior and the duty to demand that their student-athletes refrain from disrespectful conduct including verbal abuse of opponents and officials, profane or belligerent trash-talking, taunting, and inappropriate celebrations.
- To promote sportsmanship and foster the development of good character, during school sporting events for athletes and spectators.
- Youth will have an active voice on the direction of the PVWH at their schools.

### Our Support

- TCOE/ CC! will train Sportsmanship Action Team members in Pursuing Victory with Honor curriculum before each athletic season.
- Continue to provide training and support for PVWH and CC! to youth leaders on issues around fair game play.
- Advocate for student athletes and their concerns.
- Promote integrity, fair play, respect, and grace on the playing field.
- Provide ongoing support to our student athletes and how it relates to core values and ethical values in sports.
- Provide monthly meetings in person or via Zoom for SAT youth leaders.

### Are you interested in taking positive action on the athletic field!!

Follow the link to fill out the form: https://forms.gle/hY1ezrZTKdw9t5hi8

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