Anna Maria College Athletic Mission Statement

Anna Maria College, a Catholic institution of higher learning, recognizes its obligation to serve its immediate community, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the nation and the world through the provision of education, the preservation of learning, and the sponsorship of research.

Rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition of higher education, Anna Maria College is maintained and operated in conformity with the values of the Judeo-Christian tradition and in keeping with the ideals of its foundresses, the Sisters of Saint Anne. These ideals, which reflect the development of the total human being, also include increasing access to quality education, educational innovation and respect for practical skills.

Specifically, Anna Maria College sees its mission to be that of fostering in its students intellectual involvement, career preparation, social awareness, dedication to justice and peace, religious and moral sensitivity, and a lifestyle capable of sustaining these within balance.

In addition, the College is committed to nurturing the development of a sense of respect for oneself and for others, as well as a sense of responsibility to society and the world.

In keeping with this mission, the Athletic Department seeks to develop student-athletes, whose performance both in and out of the classroom will model the ideals of excellence, leadership and service.

Head coaches and assistants in each individual sport are encouraged to develop an organized, competitive and successful program. All student-athletes are expected to demonstrate a sense of pride, teamwork and initiative as they cooperate with coaches and team members in common efforts to achieve their best in fitness, skills performance and team play.

Intercollegiate athletic competition generates a desire to win that can motivate student-athletes to excellence in overall performance. Good sportsmanship, participation and the shared desire to excel in athletic performance extends to fans, spectators, parents and families of players and the alumni of Anna Maria who make up the community of support for each team and who enjoy and take pride in the athletic achievements of players and teams.

The Athletic Department and coaches strive for fairness, equitable participation, and competitive excellence, and encourage sportsmanship and proper ethical conduct in and out of season. We work to develop in young men and women athletes a sense of personal, social and civic responsibility. We promote the integration of good study habits and success in their classes along with the development of their athletic skills. The Athletic Department and all coaches and student-athletes are committed to promoting civility and respect for themselves and others, fairness, honesty and responsibility in and out of season.

Further, Anna Maria College complies with all applicable gender equity laws of Title IX. The College believes in equal access to athletic opportunities regardless of race, gender or creed. The Athletic Department complies with the NCAA, GNAC and Anna Maria College rules regarding student-athlete eligibility, participation and ethical conduct. AMC endorses the NCAA concept that amateur, intercollegiate athletics is part of an overall educational experience and that a successful educational experience is paramount for student-athletes.