

SMC Athletics Department

Santa Monica College Athletics Mission Statement

The Mission of Santa Monica College Athletics is to provide the opportunity for student-athletes to achieve personal excellence in both academics and athletics. The Department is committed to a competitive program that serves the interest of the student body and encompasses the ethical values and educational philosophy of the institution. The Department will demonstrate responsibility by complying with standards set by the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA), the Western States Conference (WSC), the Southern California Football Association (SCFA) and other governing associations. Additionally, the actions of the Athletic Department will support the expressed mission, values, and overall objectives of Santa Monica College.

Vision

Through programs that are competitive at the conference, regional, and state levels, the Department will aspire to exemplify SMC's commitment to excellence and bring positive recognition to both the institution and the community.

Statement of Philosophy

Athletics at Santa Monica College is a form of education through intense physical training, activities, and competition which are with full regard to values of fair play, teamwork, human growth and physical development. Since Athletics is a facet of the total educational programs offered at SMC, Athletics strives for the same goals that give purpose to all the other learning experiences of the college and the development of students as responsible and contributing members of our global society.

Coaches have the responsibility to represent the educational values and standards of the college in all activities. In the development and refinement of the specific skills relevant to their sports, they will select and organize learning activities and opportunities that are consistent with the policies and practices of SMC. The responsibility for implementing and operating these programs lies with the leadership and direction of the athletic director, chair of Kinesiology and senior management.

The Athletic Department will reflect the philosophy, objectives and practices of the college.

Athletics is an integral part of the overall college educational program, welcoming and encouraging the opportunity for full participation.