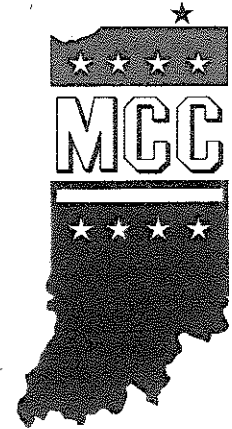


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To all Mid-Central College Conference Stakeholders:

The Commissioner and Athletic Directors of the Mid-Central College Conference want to encourage all MCC Stakeholders (athletes, coaches, parents and fans) to support the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletic Champions of Character program. In its brief existence this program has captured all that the NAIA has stood for throughout its history. The NAIA has continually sought to engage student-athletes in positive leadership, character building, and the appropriate display of sportsmanship on and off of its competitive venues.



The Champions of Character program has five core values:

- Respect* – for opponents, teammates, fans, and opposing fans.
- Responsibility* – to your coach, teammates, fans, and institution.
- Integrity* – to practice purity of intent to yourself, team, and others
- Servant-leadership* – to initiate service to family, friends, children, church, and society.
- Sportsmanship* – to follow the rules, compete and cooperate, and display proper behavior to self, teammates, opponents, fans, and the greater audience of our world.

We, the Commissioner and Athletic Directors, pledge our unified support of the NAIA Champions of Character program and all that it stands for. We ask all stakeholders to go the extra mile in their behavior and actions at MCC contests. May we all be supportive and encouraging to our teams, our institutions and our society. Let's recapture the culture of sport and make it positive, trustworthy, wholesome, honest, enjoyable, and something great that we can all be proud of. The MCC can be the most respected, competitive, and appreciated conference in the nation if we all do our best to keep these expectations before us and strive to achieve them.

In the spirit of true competition,

Mark Lantz
Bethel College Pilots

Tim Demant
Goshen College Maple Leafs

Chad Briscoe
Grace College Lancers

Lori Culler
Huntington University Foresters

Mark Pope
University of Saint Francis Cougars

Mark DeMichael
Indiana Wesleyan University Wildcats

Joe Haklin
Marian University Knights

Sam Riggleman
Spring Arbor University Cougars

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