

2017 Student Leadership Conference

Together

we make the right call

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Doubletree Hotel
4810 Page Creek Road

Durham, NC

Saturday, April 22, 2017 Doubletree by Hilton Hotel-RDU Airport, Research Triangle Park

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association invites each of our member schools to register for the Student Leadership Conference (SLC)! Our hope is that student-athletes will (1) further develop their understanding of positive leadership; (2) gain the knowledge and skills to effectively lead their peers; (3) acquire a general understanding of the importance of community service, positive values, sportsmanship, healthy lifestyles and self-evaluation; and (4) feel empowered to serve as advocates for their school, community and state. This **one-day** conference is a great opportunity for them to take steps in the right direction of achieving new levels of leadership.

The 2017 SLC will be held in Durham, NC at the quaint Doubletree Hotel. We invite 150 student-athletes to participate in a day of fun, learning, sharing, and growing with our prestigious keynote speaker and session leaders. Each presentation and breakout session uniquely combines interactive learning with fun and excitement.

Schools can register up to **two student-athletes** who exemplify leadership characteristics or show great potential to be leaders amongst their peers. We also invite one adult chaperone (coach, Athletic Director, Principal, etc.) to accompany the student leaders. The SLC will include three breakout sessions and two exciting keynote presentations. Each participant will be **required to attend all sessions**. The conference theme is Sportsmanship, which will be evident throughout each session.

In lieu of a registration fee, we ask that each participant bring at least <u>two canned goods or non-perishable food items</u> to contribute to a NC Food Bank.

We sincerely hope that you will give your student-athletes the opportunity to be a part of this experience! **SPORTSMANSHIP...Together We Make the Right Call!**

PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 7, 2017



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

9:00AM REGISTRATION

9:30AM – 10:30AM WELCOME/OPENING KEYNOTE

10:40AM – 11:30AM 1ST BREAKOUT SESSIONS

11:40AM – 12:30PM 2ND BREAKOUT SESSIONS

12:35PM LUNCH

1:30PM – 2:20PM 3RD BREAKOUT SESSIONS

2:30PM – 3:20PM CLOSING KEYNOTE

3:30PM – 4:00PM FINAL REMARKS/EVALUATIONS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS REGISTERED.

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

MR. KWAIN BRYANT



Kwain Bryant is a keynote presenter, program developer, and training specialist with Empowerment Exchange. He is an "educator" in every sense of the word. Mr. Bryant presents at local, regional, and national events. He is a native of Garner, North Carolina and currently resides in Charlotte, North Carolina. Kwain is a graduate of North Carolina Central University, the place in which he developed his passion for Health Education and empowering others. After receiving several awards for his work in the Human Service Field, Kwain founded Empowerment Exchange in 2001. It has been quoted that Mr. Bryant has the uncanny ability to speak with

both adults and teens with skill and ease. As a highly sought after speaker and trainer, Kwain is known for his energetic and enthusiastic presentations. Mr. Bryant believes that knowledge is power but enthusiasm is the switch that turns it on. All of his presentations are designed to be responsive, timely and engaging.

CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

MR. DEXTER WILLIAMS

Dexter Williams is a motivational speaker that travels the world delivering his message of "Living your Dreams". His inspirational message combined with a unique basketball presentation has captivated audiences for the last 20 years. Dexter uses his own life experiences of overcoming obstacles as an example to encourage audiences of all ages. Dexter played college basketball at Clinton Junior College where he was a two-time Academic and Basketball All-American. Dexter continued his college basketball career at Hampton University where he broke every 3 point record in Hampton University's history.



He continues to hold the 3 point shooting record for most 3 pointers in one game. He continued his basketball career overseas with Christian basketball teams including Athletes in Action, Spirit Express and Sports Ambassadors to several countries including Taiwan, Romania, Argentina and China. He traveled professionally with the Harlem Legends, a group of the Harlem Globetrotters, where he was named one of the "World's Best Basketball handlers".

Submit registration no later than APRIL 7, 2017

Breakout Sessions and Presenters



Mr. Mark Dreibelbis, Associate Commissioner of the NCHSAA

Required Session: Leadership...Different Styles, Different Ways

This session will explore the various leadership styles and ways in which you can utilize them to achieve positive results.

Mr. Omari Pearson, Founder and President of Passion to Purpose, LLC; NFHS Consultant and Trainer

<u>Session:</u> Sportsmanship Through Social Media and Your Digital Identity Beyond High School Sports

In today's society social media has dominated the time and interest of high school student athletes across America and beyond. In this session, students will learn how to better build connections through social media while creating lasting relationships that will position their social identity to reach their long term dreams and goals by incorporating the values and strategies learned through sports.





Mr. Brad Allen, NCHSAA Regional Supervisor of Officials, NFL Referee, NCHSAA Board of Directors

Session: Officially Speaking: Sportsmanship and Effective Communication

One of the characteristics of true leadership is the ability to communicate effectively during times of stress or emotion. In this session, we will focus upon establishing and maintaining effective lines of communication during our athletic contests.



Mackenzie Albert and Kaitlyn Godfrey (Unified Champion School interns, Special Olympics North Carolina)

Session: Inclusion and Respect through Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools (formerly known as Project UNIFY Schools) bring youth with and without intellectual disabilities together through sports and education to create school communities of acceptance and respect. Unified Champion Schools are seen through every level of education (Pre-K/Head Start through college) and are driven by youth and staff leaders. Special Olympics North Carolina has over 260 official Unified Champion Schools across the state. Are you ready to join the movement?