

Wesleyan University Athletic Department

Value Statement

In order to achieve our mission as an Athletic Department, our interactions with our student-athletes are guided by certain core values which influence their academic, athletic, and social lives. While we trust that these values are inherent in the character of most of our team members, we also appreciate that values must be continually emphasized or risk being trivialized.

We therefore present the following core values as basic to our function as educators.

- **Accountability:** Wesleyan student-athletes are **accountable** for their actions by being **disciplined** and **balanced** in their handling of the numerous demands associated with their lives.
- **Citizenship:** Wesleyan student-athletes are **responsible** and **caring** citizens within the Wesleyan community.
- **Commitment:** Wesleyan student-athletes are fully **committed** to their sport and understand the **energy** and **dedication** needed to be contributing members of their teams.
- **Integrity:** Wesleyan student-athletes demonstrate their **integrity** by being **honest** and **trustworthy** in their actions.
- **Respect:** Wesleyan student-athletes **respect** others. This includes respect for other view points, **promptness**, openness to **coaching** and **support of diversity** within the team and the school.
- **Sportsmanship:** Wesleyan student-athletes practice the ideals of **sportsmanship** within the framework of a **competitive** environment.

In summation, Wesleyan student-athletes understand that they are representatives of the University and exhibit these core values in their daily lives. The opportunity to participate in intercollegiate athletics is a privilege and a choice, which intrinsically carries certain responsibilities.