



# Moanalua High School Athletics



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## Moanalua High School Athletic Department

Through hard work, integrity, commitment, discipline and loyalty the members of the Moanalua High School Athletic Program shall display personal, team and school pride to become well-rounded individuals and better citizens.

We will strive to teach our athletes to be good people with good character and teach them the principles and values that transcend beyond athletics which they will carry with them for the rest of their lives.

### Philosophy Statement of High School Athletics

The athletic program of Moanalua High School should be a dynamic integral part of the educational experience. It should provide meaningful learning opportunities not otherwise offered in the school classroom curriculum. It should assist in developing habits, attitudes, and ideals necessary for ethical competition and cooperation in our society. It should also provide our students with life-long lessons for personal growth such as sportsmanship, teamwork, ethical behavior, perseverance, commitment, loyalty, self-discipline, pride, cooperation, responsibility, and leadership skills.

Interscholastic athletics should be enjoyable with the purpose of benefiting students, not the institutions. Winning at all cost should not be a part of anyone's philosophy. A wide variety of wholesome activities should be available and tailored to the physical, mental, and emotional maturity level of the participants. The best possible staff and facilities available should be a concern to those in charge of programs servicing our youth. Students should be encouraged to explore a particular sport of his/her interest regardless of ability level.

Athletics should assist in the development of fellowship and goodwill, and encourage the qualities of good citizenship. It plays an important role in developing a healthy self-image as well as a healthy body. Athletics also contribute to school/community spirit and pride.

Sportsmanship should be the top priority of interscholastic athletics. Commitment to fair play, integrity, and a genuine empathy for others must be taught and practiced if we are to make a difference.

A well-conducted athletic program under competent leadership fosters both competition and cooperation. Administrative and coaching leadership should be of the highest quality and should provide athletes with examples of exemplary behavior. Measurement of leadership success should not be measured in terms of the tangible evidence of the victories or defeats. Instead character, courage and integrity should be the major objectives.

Interscholastic athletics is a voluntary program. Thus, competition is a privilege and not a right. Along with that privilege is the responsibility to conform to standards established for the high school athletic teams. This privilege may be revoked when the athlete fails or refuses to comply with the rules.

The interscholastic athletic program shall be conducted in accordance with the existing Board of Education policies, rules and regulations and always be consistent with the general objectives of the school.

The ultimate goal of high school athletics should be to foster the value of participation without overemphasizing the importance of winning and to improve positive citizenship traits among the program's participants. The program should constantly strive to develop well-rounded individuals capable of taking their place in society.