



## New Mexico Activities Association Student Leadership Advisory Council



### **Purpose:**

The New Mexico Activities Association Student Leadership Advisory Council is comprised of students representing the NMAA's member high schools and its structure mirrors that of the NMAA Board of Directors. The NMAA's SLAC gives high school students a hands-on experience with the Association and provides them a direct line of communication to the staff. In addition, the SLAC is a vehicle for the promotion of the *Compete with Class* initiative on a peer-to-peer level.

### **Responsibilities:**

The SLAC meets two to three times a year: once at the NMAA/NMADA Fall Conference and Annual Meeting and once during the month of March, with an additional meeting in January, if deemed necessary by the Council. Functions of the SLAC include: the development and maintenance of an NMAA Student Leader Handbook, which is posted on the NMAA web site, as well as assisting with the creation of public service announcements addressing the core values of *Compete with Class*, which will be utilized during NMAA State Championship events. The SLAC members are also responsible for hosting annual regional meetings with their peers. The eventual creation of an annual NMAA Student Leadership Conference is the goal of the SLAC. The Conference will be facilitated by members of the SLAC and will be held during the summer. The SLAC also creates and maintains social media sites for the promotion of the NMAA, its mission and its events.

The SLAC is the voice of students from their respective regions within the NMAA governance structure and its members offer input and suggestions to NMAA staff relative to current issues facing students. The SLAC promotes a positive image of students participating in interscholastic competition and assists in the development of campaigns to promote *Compete with Class*, Life of an Athlete and other NMAA and NMAA-related initiatives (i.e., officials' recruitment and hospitality, NMAA Foundation events, etc.).

### **Nomination Process:**

Any NMAA member school administrator may nominate a current freshman, sophomore or junior male and female to be a member of the NMAA Student Leadership Advisory Council. There is no limit to the number of students nominated from a school but no more than one student from a school will serve on the committee at a time. Representatives to the NMAA SLAC will be selected by members of the NMAA staff.

Nomination forms must be completed and submitted to the NMAA office by March 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Each form must be signed by the student's principal and Activities/Athletic Director. The nomination must be accompanied by a written statement of no more than 250 words by the nominee explaining why he/she would like to be selected to the NMAA SLAC.

### **Criteria:**

A student serving on the NMAA SLAC must:

- 1) Display strong character and commitment to sportsmanship and integrity.
- 2) Demonstrate leadership within his/her school.
- 3) Be involved in at least three NMAA sanctioned activities (athletic or non-athletic).
- 4) Demonstrate a commitment to representing the interest of all students participating in interscholastic activities.
- 5) A GPA of 2.5 or higher.

**Council Composition and Terms:**

Two students from each of the following regions of the NMAA Board of Directors:

- 1) Small, Area A
- 2) Small, Area B
- 3) Small, Area C
- 4) Small, Area D
- 5) Large, Area A
- 6) Large, Area B
- 7) Large, Area C
- 8) Large, Area D
- 9) Large School District I (at-large member)
- 10) Large School District II (at-large member)

Schools will nominate current freshmen, sophomores or juniors for service on the NMAA SLAC, which means they will be sophomores, juniors or seniors respectively when they begin their service on the Council. Sophomores will serve a three-year term; juniors will serve a two-year term and seniors will serve a one-year term. The selection committee (NMAA staff) will ensure there is enough of a stagger so there is never an entire Council turning over.



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NOMINATION FORM

Due to the NMAA Office No Later Than March 1st
(Please type or print all information)

SECTION I: NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male [ ] Female [ ]

Grade: Freshman [ ] Sophomore [ ] Junior [ ]

Nominee's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination Submitted By (Name & Title): \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION II: NMAA SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION

List all NMAA-sanctioned activities the in which the student is participating/has participated (must be a minimum of three athletics/activities combined). List the years participated and any leadership positions held.

NMAA ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

Sport Years Participated Captain? (Years, if yes)
EX: Soccer 9th grade, 10th grade Captain, 9th grade

Blank lines for athletic participation details

NMAA ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION

Sport Years Participated Leadership Positions (Years, if yes)
EX: Student Council 10th grade, 11th grade Junior Class President

Blank lines for activities participation details

### SECTION III: NOMINEE ESSAY

Nomination forms must be completed and submitted to the NMAA office with the school principal and Athletic/Activities Director's signatures. The nomination must be accompanied by a written statement of no more than 250 words by the nominee explaining why he/she would like to be selected for the NMAA Student Leadership Advisory Council and what qualities and/or experiences he/she would bring to the Council.

### SECTION IV: SIGNATURES

Principal's Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic OR Activities Director's Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic OR Activities Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECKLIST:

- Completed Nomination Form
- Nominee Essay
- Principal's Signature
- Athletic/Activities Director's Signature

Please make sure all items on the checklist above are completed and return the entire packet to the NMAA office by mail, fax or email no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>:

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*For questions about the NMAA Student Leadership Advisory Council or the nomination process, please feel free to contact:*

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