



New Mexico Activities Association Student Leadership Advisory Council



Purpose:

The New Mexico Activities Association Student Leadership Advisory Council is comprised of 15 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 twice a year: once at the NMAA/NMADA Fall Conference and Annual Meeting and once during the NMAA State Basketball Championships. There will be student leadership breakout sessions during the Fall Conference for the members of the SLAC each year and the members of the Council will assist the NMAA staff with workshop sessions for Athletic Directors and other attendees. In addition, members of the SLAC will assist with awards ceremonies at NMAA state championship events.

Other functions of the SLAC include the development of an NMAA Student Leader Handbook which will be 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 eventual creation of an annual NMAA Student Leadership Conference will be a goal of the SLAC. The Conference will be run by members of the SLAC and will be held during the summer.

The SLAC will be the voice of students from their respective regions within the NMAA governance structure and its members will offer input and suggestions to NMAA staff relative to current issues facing students. The SLAC will promote a positive image of students participating in interscholastic competition and will assist 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 1st 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:

One student 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
- 10) Large School District II

Positions available for nomination for the 2017-2018 school year due to the graduation of current members (2017-2018 school year):

- 1) Area A-Large (Two positions)
- 2) Area A-Small (One position)
- 3) Area B-Large (One position)
- 4) Area B-Small (One position)
- 5) Area C-Large (Two positions)
- 6) Area D-Large (Two positions)
- 7) Area D-Small (One position)

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 Current Year: Freshman Sophomore Junior

Nominee's Address: _____

Nominee's Email Address: _____

Nominee's Phone Number: _____ Nominee's GPA: _____

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)
<i>EX: Soccer</i>	<i>9th grade, 10th grade</i>	<i>Captain, 9th grade</i>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

NMAA ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION

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

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 1st:

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 Albuquerque, NM 87109

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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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