

Keystone Christian Academy Philosophy of Sports

It must be remembered that in each activity of life there must be a distinct and definite purpose. The purpose for the athletic programs of Keystone Christian Academy are two-fold: to help the students mature spiritually and to help the child mature physically.

The athletic program at Keystone Christian Academy is based on the belief that the program will be maintained as an integral part of the school's overall program of education. Proper maintenance includes an emphasis on and priority given to Christian character, high academic quality and standards that will help in the complete development of the student-athlete.

It will be the goal of the athletic department to be beneficial and Christ-honoring at all times. In keeping with this goal, there are a number of ingredients that must be in place.

1. Each area must be evaluated by the standards of the Bible and in conformity to the purpose of Keystone Christian Academy.
2. Each area must be focused on the goal of building strong Christian character into individual lives, so that, win or lose, all glory will go to God.
3. Each athlete will be challenged to commit to a sound Biblical balance and strength in all aspects of life: academically, socially, physically, and above all, spiritually. We will strive to instill Biblical character traits that the students can use long after their athletic career is over.
4. Winning will be emphasized. However, it is important for us to exercise proper discipline in winning as well as losing. The only thing worse than a poor loser is a poor winner.
5. Each athlete and parent will be required to have a proper respect for the authority that is present in his/her life. Coaches and officials are human, but they are placed in positions of authority and must be given proper respect both on and off the playing field/court. Our goal is that the coaches, athletes, parents and fans of Keystone Christian Academy will bring honor and glory to God through Christ-honoring competition and participation at all athletic events.

The criteria for measuring the success of Keystone Christian Academy Athletics will not be that of wins and losses in competition; but rather, more broadly, on how well the competition reflects the goals as stated earlier and reflects the standards of a distinctively Christian athletic program.