



FELLOWSHIP OF
CHRISTIAN
ATHLETES

FCA CHARACTER COACH

WHAT IS AN “FCA CHARACTER COACH”?

Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.” Proverbs 4:23

This ancient wisdom still holds true! If anyone knows this, it is the coach. The content of a player’s heart will eventually play itself out in some way. One of the most important roles coaches play in preparing players for competition and life is to give them a chance to develop good character.

We expect a game plan for coaching the x’s and o’s of our sport. What isn’t always clear is how to coach character. While a coach prepares their athletes for competition, an FCA Character Coach that comes along side to serve both coaches and athletes is a time-tested gameplan for success.

WHAT DOES AN “FCA CHARACTER COACH” ROLE LOOK LIKE?

An FCA Character Coach could take on a number of different roles, but listed here are many of the common ones.

- Lead and coordinate character clinics/speaking opportunities.
- Be available and equipped to help in crisis situations.
- Provide training and resources for character development and life management skills.
- Pray for, encourage and exhort players, coaches, coaches’ families, and support staff, sharing the vision, mission, and values of FCA.

FCA Vision

To see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes.

FCA Mission

To lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.

FCA Values

Integrity Serving Teamwork Excellence

WHO ARE “FCA CHARACTER COACHES”?

A wide variety of people are actively serving the people of sport as FCA Character Coaches. A person doesn't need to be a sport ministry professional to faithfully serve and to significantly impact the lives of this underserved people group. Among those who could serve in these roles are:

- Former high school, college, or professional athletes
- Business or Community leaders with interest in ministry through sports
- Athletic trainers or other support personnel with sport teams
- Ministers, youth ministers, or other members of a church staff

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE AN “FCA CHARACTER COACH”?

FCA desires to provide our teams with an FCA Character Coach that is trained and equipped to serve. Below are the steps to pursuing this role:

1. You will begin by completing the interest form located here: [Character Coaching Interest Form](#) or use code here ➡ 
2. Local staff will contact you to discuss this form with you.
3. If moving forward, you will be sent a link to our Volunteer Impact Portal (VIP) to create an account, submit a background check, and complete the mandatory trainings in VIP.
4. Once VIP is completed and approved, you will meet with staff to go through our FCA Character Coach Training, and then schedule a time to meet with the head coach of the selected team to lay out the role and level of involvement they desire.
5. Start Character Coaching! Through this role you will develop a relationship with an FCA staff member in your area prior to the season for planning, prayer, resources; during the season for encouragement, problem solving and further direction; and at the end of the season for evaluation, reporting of results, etc.



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