



## CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award APPLICATION

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sport/League \_\_\_\_\_

*CHAMP is focused on promoting Character as an integral component of our Student-Athletes' success, both on the athletic field and in life.*

### APPLICATION OVERVIEW

#### *Eligibility*

CHAMP will promote and recognize character excellence among youth sports teams that compete in leagues operating within the boundaries of the Poudre School District.

#### *Application Requirements*

##### **#1 – Design and Implement a CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN for your team**

- Work with your team community to identify character qualities that you will discuss and implement during the season. Refer to the CHAMP website ([www.champfc.com](http://www.champfc.com)) for ideas and sample Character Development Plans. Included in your Character Development Plan must be a service project that benefits the community your team operates in. Attach a copy of your Character Development Plan to the application for submission.

##### **#2 – Complete the TEAM INFORMATION and TEAM RESOLUTION Forms**

- Complete the attached Team Information and Team Resolution Forms. The resolution should be signed by all members of your team community (including coaches, players and parents). The Team Resolution should be completed at the beginning of the season so that expectations are set early with players and parents.

##### **#3 – Complete the CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

- Complete the six questions of the Character Development Questionnaire. This should be completed towards the end of the season. Your answers should reflect how your Character Development Plan has impacted your team community.

##### **#4 – Collect PLAYER and PARENT TESTIMONIALS**

- At the end of the season, have, at a minimum, half of your student-athletes complete the five sentences on the Player Testimonial form.
- At the end of your season, have at least two parents (not from the same family) complete the Parent/Official Testimonial form.
- A testimonial from an official is also strongly encouraged.

##### **#5 – Complete the MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM**

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#### **Submission Guidelines**

1. Attend your Coaches Meeting and receive CHAMP materials on:
2. Complete and return your TEAM INFORMATION and TEAM RESOLUTION forms to CHAMP by:
3. Complete and return your CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE, PARENT and PLAYER TESTIMONIALS, and MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM to CHAMP by:

#### **Contact Information**

##### **Ashley Zenzen**

CHAMP Program Coordinator

[info@champfc.com](mailto:info@champfc.com) or [coordinator@champfc.com](mailto:coordinator@champfc.com)

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Return the completed application packet to:

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**Additional Information and Resources available at:**

[www.champfc.com](http://www.champfc.com)

#### **The Award**

In addition to gaining respect and prestige for earning the CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award, recipients will receive:

- A CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award Certificate
- A CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award tee-shirt, visor, cap or backpack for all coaches, managers and players on the team
- Recognition on the CHAMP Website and media recognition in the Coloradoan
- A CHAMP Recognition presentation at a school assembly or end-of-year party

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### TEAM INFORMATION

**Head Coach Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award contact

**Assistant Coach Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Assistant Coach Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Team Manager Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award contact

*If not identified above, please provide the CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award contact below:*

**Contact for the 'Elite Team' Award:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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### TEAM RESOLUTION

We believe that good character is the foundation for all success in individual and team *athletic achievement* and the *overall life development* of our student athletes. Therefore, our athletic team community (coaches, players and parents) resolves to focus on character development as an integral component of positive athletic and life performance. As evidence of this resolution, we commit to be a team of character by:

#### **EMPHASIZING good character**

The coaching staff will develop and implement a Character Development Plan (CDP) for the team community (coaches, players and parents). The goal of the plan is to link good character traits demonstrated in athletics to success in other areas of an athlete's life. These character traits, successfully adopted by the team community, should result in:

- **Sportsmanship by the team community** (coaches, players and parents), including: Respect for officials and their decisions; Respect for opponents regardless of the outcome of competition; and Honor for the game by practicing and playing with integrity, determination, and a positive attitude
- **Teamwork by the team community** (coaches, players and parents), including: Respect for teammates and opponents regardless of skill and position on the team; Respect for coaches and their decisions; and Responsibility to teammates by demonstrating unselfish play and encouraging others
- **Community contribution by the team community** (coaches, players and parents), including: Leading with a positive image of the city, school, and organization the team community represents when competing against visiting teams or traveling to other communities

#### **REQUIRING good character**

The team community (coaches, players and parents) will hold itself to the standards developed in the Character Development Plan (CDP). When these standards are violated by any member, the team community (coaches, players and parents) will 'correct for character' with the goal of resolving the problem and restoring relationships. A proper methodology for correction should be included in the CDP.

#### **RECOGNIZING good character**

The team community (coaches, players and parents) will celebrate and recognize demonstration of good character as a means of reinforcing positive character development in the team and individuals. This may include applying to receive the CHAMP 'Elite Team' Award for outstanding character development efforts.

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### TEAM RESOLUTION (Continued)

*We resolve to be a team of character, as described by the Team Resolution above.*

TITLE	PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	HAT SIZE	TEE SHIRT SIZE
Head Coach				
Team Manager				
Assistant Coach				
Assistant Coach				
Assistant Coach				

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### CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE (Continued)

5) **Specifically describe how the team demonstrated the following:**

a) **Sportsmanship** (respect for opponents, respect for officials, honor for the game by playing and practicing with integrity, determination, and a positive attitude)

b) **Teamwork** (respect for teammates, respect for coaches and coaching decisions, demonstrating responsibility through unselfish play, practice and a positive attitude)

c) **Community** (demonstrating community responsibility as a positive representative of Fort Collins)  
Describe a community service project the team completed to demonstrate appreciation for the community in which the team competes.

6) **How did your team recognize and reward demonstration of positive character?**

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### **PARENT/OFFICIAL TESTIMONIAL** *(Duplicate this form as necessary)*

Testimonials about the positive impact your Character Development Plan (CDP) had on the team and team community are required by at least two parents (not of same family). A testimonial from an official is strongly encouraged. We are looking for statements of personal experience - descriptions of specific situations, observations, and results are especially helpful.

You may use this sheet, or a separate sheet of paper. Typed submissions are preferred. Hand-written submissions will be accepted as long as they are legible!

***Describe how the team's emphasis on positive player character attributes has impacted you, the team, and the team community.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent    Official

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If your team receives the CHAMP *'Elite Team'* Award, each coach, player, manager and key parents will receive CHAMP *'Elite Team'* Award merchandise. Please choose ONE of the following items (with the quantity you need) and return with your CHAMP *'Elite Team'* Award Application.

- Strappy Backpack – one size
- T-shirt – indicate S, M, L or XL
- Hats

\*\*\*It is highly encouraged for each team to create a list of coaches, players, managers, key parents to receive CHAMP Elite Team Award merchandise and which item they ordered.

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