

Play Like A Champion Today Sports As Ministry Initiative

Dear St. Dominic Savio Catholic HS Sport Parents,

This year St. Dominic Savio will be partnering with Play Like A Champion Today developed by the Alliance for Catholic Education at the University of Notre Dame. The Play Like A Champion Today Character Education Through Sports Initiative is a national coach and parent educational series designed specifically to elevate Catholic high school sports programs.

Play Like A Champion Today incorporates all the stakeholders in Catholic education – athletic administrators, coaches, parents and athletes. The goal is for all members of a school community to work together to make sports at Savio the spiritual and character-building experience that it is meant to be. The bottom line: athletes receiving the benefits of the best that Catholic sports have to offer.

Savio will host a mandatory Parent Like A Champion Today workshop for sport parents. The workshop includes an examination of parent expectations in sports programs. Parents receive resources that will help them contribute to building the positive culture that is the focus of both Savio and the Play Like A Champion programs. Parents also receive practical guidance on how they can help their children to form habits of perseverance, sound decision-making, teamwork, good nutrition, and regular exercise.

The Parent Like A Champion Today workshop will be held on August 1st, 2014 from 5:30pm until 7:00pm in the Savio gym. This is a **MANDATORY** training workshop. If you child plans on participating in ANY sports in the 2014-2015 year, **at least ONE parent must attend**. There will be a \$10 fee charged to your school account to cover the Parent Handbook.

Sincerely,

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