



UNITED STATES CENTER FOR
COACHING EXCELLENCE

RAISE the BAR Pledge

The RAISE the BAR pledge is an organizational commitment to yourself, your athletes and parents, your coaches and to the greater sport community that highlights your commitment to supporting quality adult leadership in youth sport with strong standards, quality coaching education and an on going commitment to support and develop coaches in all levels of your organization.

Take the Raise the Bar Pledge:

Commit to an Athlete-Centered Organizational Mission & Vision with an Emphasis on Quality Coaches

- **R**ecognize the need for improving physical, person, and social-emotional skills in young people (sport-skill mastery and fostering positive youth development)
- **A**thletes first – their needs and interests are considered in sport programming
- **I**nclusiveness – all individuals are respected and included
- **S**afe environment both physically and emotionally
- **E**njoyable atmosphere encouraged in all sport programming

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- **B**e educational – commit to educating coaches to achieve mission goals and objectives
- **A**ctive physically – getting kids closer to meeting NPAP standards for physical activity
- **R**elationship building – support and care for athletes, parents, and staff