



# CIF SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD

## 2010-11 Application Information

**GOAL:** To recognize student-athletes who are positive role models within our schools and the community at-large. Integrity, fairness, character and respect are inherent principles of good sportsmanship. With them, the spirit of competition thrives, fueled by honest rivalry, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of the results. This award seeks to recognize student-athletes who display good sportsmanship and school leadership, regardless of athletic ability.

**CRITERIA:** Winners will be selected based on demonstrated principles of good sportsmanship, school and community service, and leadership.

**AWARD PROCESS:** Each CIF member school may nominate one male and one female student-athlete during each season of sport who demonstrates exemplary sportsmanship, school/community service, and leadership. Nominations must be submitted during the season of sport for which the student-athlete competes in a CIF-approved sport. (Consult the CIF State website at [www.cifstate.org](http://www.cifstate.org) for a complete list of approved sports or to download the application). **Nominations must be received by the deadline.** Nominations may be sent via mail or fax. All winners will receive a sportsmanship medal, an award, a \$500 scholarship and recognition at the CIF State Federated Council dinner on **Friday, April 29, 2011. Winners are required to attend the awards dinner (CIF will reimburse for associated costs).**

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Complete applications must include the following elements. Selections are based solely on this information; therefore, you are encouraged to be as detailed as possible and use specific experiences. **ALL FOUR ELEMENTS MUST BE INCLUDED FOR CONSIDERATION.**

- *Application form (Principal's signature is required).*
- *List of accomplishments during high school years, including nonathletic honors and awards received; extracurricular activities; leadership positions and community service activities.*
- *Minimum of two letters of support citing specific examples of Pursuing Victory with Honor. These can include specific exemplary sportsmanship and behavior/actions on and off the playing field. Letters can be from coaches, athletic directors, principals, etc.*
- *Student essay of no less than 500 words. Suggested topics for the essay include:*
  - *What is your definition of the term "Spirit of Sport" and how do you exemplify it in everyday life, both on and off the athletic field?*
  - *What does "sportsmanship" mean to you?*
  - *What life lessons have you learned through participation in athletics?*



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

*SEASON OF SPORT (select from menu)*

Name of Student Nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_ SPORT \_\_\_\_\_

CIF Section (select from menu)

High School \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

School City and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ School Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Parent(s)/Caregiver(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number of Student's Parent(s)/Caregiver(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Parent(s)/Caregiver(s) E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*Please provide the following information, along with the dates each was accomplished, on an attached sheet(s) of paper: Honors and Awards Received, Extracurricular Activities, Leadership Positions and Community Service Activities during high school years.*

## **NOMINATION DEADLINES**

**Fall 2010.....Monday, November 1, 2010**

**Winter 2011.....Monday, January 31, 2011**

**Spring 2011.....Thursday, March 31, 2011**

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