

## **Medaille College Department of Athletics**

**Vision:** A tradition of teamwork and excellence providing lifelong educational opportunities.

**Mission:** Supporting the academic mission of the college, the athletic department strives to improve the quality of student life, enhance the image of the college in the community; and attract, educate, and promote a diverse student body. The athletic program emphasizes group as well as individual growth by encouraging character development, leadership, teamwork and good sportsmanship.

## Goals:

- 1. To provide our students athletic opportunities to improve the quality of their educational experience.
- 2. To provide our students quality instruction, medical care, facilities and competitive scheduling in order to achieve a level of excellence.
- 3. To provide an environment whereby teamwork and leadership can be practiced and learned that will enhance our students appeal in their chosen professions.
- 4. To provide leadership stressing the principles of accountability, responsibility, integrity, competence, sportsmanship and concern for others.

## **Guiding Principles:**

- 1. We work as a team with professionalism, respect, support, loyalty, courtesy, and trust. We share rather than compete for resources.
- 2. Through open and honest communication, consensus is the preferred way we make decisions.
- 3. We treat all persons with dignity and respect while providing a model of fair play, sportsmanship, and leadership.
- 4. We seek to improve the department by encouraging innovation, and through professional growth and program development.

The staff members associated with the Department of Athletics place our students first in their growth and development. We use sport as a means to teach lifelong skills and experiences in addition to content learned in the classroom. We promote academic excellence through the recruitment of student-athletes who have the potential to earn our undergraduate degree.

<u>Medaille College Aspiration</u>: Medaille College will be known as the leader in preparing learners for career success and a lifelong commitment to a civic and sustainable future in Buffalo, the region and the world.