

# ATHLETICS

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## Welcome from the Athletic Director:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Orange Coast College Athletic Department, "Where Champions Start." With 25 intercollegiate programs, Coast is considered one of the premier athletic departments in the entire California Community College system, and that tradition continues with you!

Here at Coast, the Athletic Department is committed to competing at the highest level possible while setting the standard in sportsmanship and ethical conduct. As members of the Orange Empire Conference and the Southern California Football Association, OCC prides itself in its successes both on and off the field.

## Mission Statement:

The mission on behalf of student athletes is to provide resources for student athletes to pursue their athletic and academic aspirations. Athletics works to equip student athletes with the skills, knowledge, and inclinations to become successful members of society through discipline, determination, teamwork, and leadership development, preparing them to be active participants in their social environment and potential agents of change. Athletics faculty mentor and guide student athletes by building coach/player relationships, providing support and direction for their mental, physical, and spiritual development.

The mission on behalf of Orange Coast College is to serve as a catalyst to enhance OCC campus pride and sustain its tradition. Athletics foster a positive, well-rounded college experience for all students and enables all students to become involved in a broad collegial experience. The Department actively recruits and serves students from underrepresented populations, increasing the diversity of the college-at-large. Athletics provides a lifetime source of school spirit and pride for all students, faculty, staff, and alumni of the College, and OCC student-athletes proudly represent OCC at the local and state level through competitions and championships.

## Annual Goals:

Each year, OCC strives to be the best in, and out of, the venue of competition. The Athletic Department develops its student-athletes annually to compete at the highest level, both in competition and in the classroom. We measure our success on conference and state championships as well as Scholar Team nominations.

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## Athletics Department Website

- Athletics, Certificate of Achievement (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/pathways/kinesiology-fitness-wellness-sports-athletic-performance/athletics/athletics-certificate-achievement/>)