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## **Play Like A Champion Educational Series Re-Accredits Programs**

*One of only 3 domain specific accredited programs nationwide*

The United States Center for Coaching Excellence (USCCE) announces that two programs within the Play Like A Champion Educational Series (PLACES) have been re-accredited under the USCCE's National Committee for Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE). PLACES maintains itself as one of only 3 domain specific accredited programs in the United States.

Through the accreditation process, NCACE ensures that PLACES' Sport as Ministry Program and the Play Like A Champion Today High School Program adheres to the characteristics of excellence as prescribed by SHAPE America's *National Standards for Sport Coaches*. These standards represent the body of knowledge associated with what coaches should know and do. The Sport as Ministry Program was recognized for meeting the standards affiliated with philosophy and ethics as well as growth and development. The Play Like a Champion Today High School Program was recognized for meeting the standards affiliated with philosophy and ethics. The USCCE applauds PLACES for ensuring their coaches achieve competence in these areas through quality coach education programming.

### **About the United States Center for Coaching Excellence and the National Committee for Accreditation of Coaching Education**

The United States Center for Coaching Excellence is the premier authority on coaching education in the United States, providing coaching education programming support and accreditation of program through NCACE. NCACE offers accreditation and national recognition to sport organizations and institutions responsible for the preparation of coaches at any and all levels of sport. The rigorous review process ensures alignment with SHAPE America's *National Standards for Sport Coaches*, and that coaches are trained to effectively meet the unique developmental needs of every athlete. Through forward-thinking leadership and our team of expert reviewers, the USCCE is uniquely positioned to provide the highest quality, empirically-based guidance for the creation, implementation and evaluation of coaching education programs.

For more information, visit NCACE <http://www.qualitycoachingeducation.org> or the USCCE <http://www.uscoachexcellence.org/>

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