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DC STATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION HONORS OUR HEROES

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The District of Columbia State Athletic Association today announced a promotion to honor those who work, live or attend school in the District and have taken extraordinary steps to help others during the ongoing public health crisis.

[The general public is invited to nominate their heroes](#) for the DCSAA Honors Our Heroes program. DCSAA staff will review the nominations and select up to 500 heroes, who will receive a certificate commemorating the honor as well as a DCSAA sweatshirt.

“The current health crisis has produced some amazing stories of selflessness and leadership,” DCSAA Executive Director Clark Ray said. “This program will help us honor some of these people. Whether it is a single parent taking extra efforts to raise their children, a young man or woman helping his or her brothers or sisters or neighbors, a doctor, nurse or essential worker.

“Not all heroes wear capes, but our goal is to make sure these people know their contributions are noticed and appreciated.”

The DCSAA provides sweatshirts to state champions and state finalists. But when the spring 2020 high school sports season was canceled, there was a collection of sweatshirts that the DCSAA could not present to its standout student-athletes.

“While it was disappointing not to hold our state championships this past spring, this program allows us to recognize some of the champions in our community,” Ray said. “We thank the student-athletes, coaches and administrators who have shown resolve and patience as we navigate these uncharted waters and hope to be back on the playing courts and fields soon.”

To learn more about the District of Columbia State Athletic Association, please visit www.dcsaasports.org.

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About the District of Columbia State Athletic Association

The District of Columbia State Athletic Association has served District of Columbia public schools, public charter schools, and independent private and parochial schools since 2012. Studies regularly show that students who participate in extracurricular activities generally are better prepared to succeed beyond high school and under DCSAA guidance, student-athlete participation has risen 44 percent. DCSAA empowers its membership to share knowledge and best practices in order to help student-athletes achieve their goals through athletic programming and valuable academic and personal learning experiences.