

State of South Carolina

Proclamation

by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, the future of our young people depends on high quality educational opportunities, both in the classroom and in extracurricular activities, including athletics; and

WHEREAS, participation in athletics fosters perseverance, teamwork, self-discipline, commitment to a goal and a belief in racial and gender equality; and

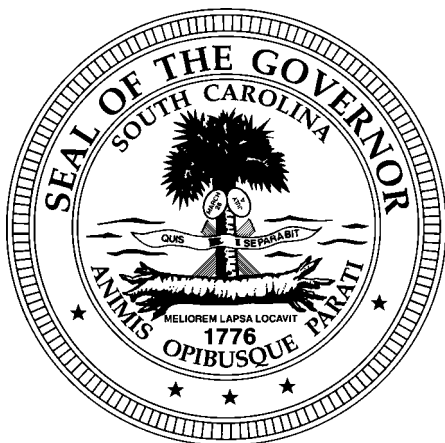
WHEREAS, coaches, parents, and educators throughout the Palmetto State help ensure the future success of our young people by expressing the highest expectations for both academic and athletic performance; and

WHEREAS, the annual observance of "National Student-Athlete Day" honors the accomplishments of student-athletes in the classroom, on the playing field and in their communities, while recognizing parents, teachers, coaches, and school systems who make it possible for young people to find balance between academics and athletics.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 6, 2002, as

STUDENT-ATHLETE DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor student-athletes who excel in both the classroom and their communities.



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