



ATHLETES ARE THE HEART AND SOUL of USA GYMNASTICS

THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
IS OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITY.

Nothing is more important than protecting athletes, which requires sustained vigilance by everyone – coaches, athletes, parents, administrators and judges.

AMONG THE WAYS WE HELP TO PROTECT YOUNG ATHLETES:

- CRIMINAL BACKGROUND SCREENING
- PARTICIPANT WELFARE POLICY
- REPORTING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT
- PUBLIC LIST OF BANNED MEMBERS
- SAFETY AND RISK MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING

- ONE-ON-ONE SITUATIONS DISCOURAGED
- OBSERVABLE COACHING
- APPROPRIATE PHYSICAL CONTACT
- PARENTAL MONITORING

USA Gymnastics partners with several experts to raise awareness about child sexual abuse and provide information on how clubs, coaches and parents can work together to promote a safe environment.



Everyone plays an important role in athlete safety, including athletes and their families. To help, we ask that you:

1. Review available educational materials
2. Talk with your athlete/family

Don't be afraid to discuss these topics as a family, including appropriate behavior, definitions of abuse, and what to do if you recognize the signs.



DID YOU KNOW ?

- USA Gymnastics was the first national governing body to implement a banned member list.
- We continually work to refine our processes, policies and procedures to keep athletes safe. USA Gymnastics recently enlisted an independent former federal prosecutor to conduct a comprehensive independent review of our bylaws, policies, procedures and practices.
- We support the U.S. Center for SafeSport, an independent agency established to oversee Safe Sport.
- USA Gymnastics endorses proposed Senate S.534, designed to prevent sexual abuse of minors and athletes.



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visit USAGym.org/SafeSport