# COACHING for TRANSFORMATION



launches on December 1! We are excited for the ability to walk alongside your coaches in this professional development opportunity and to make connections between coaches within our community.

Here are a few more details about how the Lead Coach program will run: This program is offered to schools in Year 2 and beyond and provides mentorship to coaches in a specific area of coaching. These areas include Faith Infusion, Team/Culture Building, Program Management, and Internal/External Communication. Each topic is offered during two quarters of the year (winter, spring, summer, or fall), and member schools may pair up two head coaches with a Lead Coach per quarter. Additional head coaches may receive mentorship on a fee basis. To sign up, use this <u>form</u> to submit your information, and a Lead Coach will be in contact with you.

## **CfT School Highlight**

Sioux Falls Christian is implementing CfT with their athletic teams in ways that are impacting both students and their community. They shared about their 'Part of the Show' event on social media:



"One of our hopes at SFC is that transformation isn't just limited to the classroom, but that it saturates all we do. In athletics, this includes using the framework of Coaching for Transformation. Our hope is that CfT helps transform students and coaches physically AND spiritually while developing and competing in their sport. This story is an example of CfT at work in the boys' golf team, as they hosted a tournament for residents at Washington Crossings Senior Living Community."

Check out the video below that highlights this great event!





#### **Partnership with AIA**

CFT is announcing a partnership with Athletes in Action. Since 1966 AIA has been helping competitors view their sport as an opportunity to worship. This para-church sports ministry has led the

way in training, equipping, and providing resources for coaches and athletes. CFT member schools now have access to many of the great resources that AIA has created on the <u>Coach</u> <u>Resources</u> section of our website. We have added AIA's 5 Principle Labs and video list to the wesite. Check back for even more resources to come!

### Grace Community School:

#### **New Implementation**

This Fall 2022 semester at Grace has been incredible. Our athletic teams have started off on a high note, which is always fun, but it's much more than that. With the arrival of several new, high-level coaches, there's been a palpable



sense of anticipation, and our students have responded to it. They've bought into what our coaches are saying about how to dedicate their endeavors (athletic and otherwise) to Christ. What's most exciting is that it's carrying over to our off-season programs, our student support at games, and how our student-athletes are leading in the classroom and chapel activities in school. We haven't seen this kind of spirit in the last ten years, and it has been contagious in all aspects of our school.

Parent Meetings: This is the first year that all of our varsity head coaches are implementing a CfT GamePlan, and the feedback so far from parents has been encouraging. Our coaches are putting their GamePlans front and center in their parent meetings, and parents have responded that they are pleased to see exactly what our coaches are doing to disciple their kids. I think our parents always knew (or hoped) that this was going on organically, but being able to actually see it in advance (and then watching it play out over the season) has created a new level of trust between coaches and parents. We're getting even more gratitude from parents during and after the season about what's going on in their children's lives. I think that the increased trust is going to create a better atmosphere for our coaches, which will serve as positive reinforcement for them to keep running their GamePlans (and enhancing them) year after year.

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