

VISION MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE VIRGINIA SWIMMING SAFE SPORT COMMITTEE

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United States Swimming (USAS) and Virginia Swimming Safe Sport Committee (VSI-SSC) are jointly committed to providing a safe environment for all its members to excel in swimming and in life.

MISSION STATEMENT

VSI-SSC serves as an extension of the USAS Safe Sports program to provide leadership, policy and direction to swim clubs within the Virginia LSC in order to prevent abuse and to maintain a safe environment for all members of the organization.

GOALS

To achieve its mission, VSI-SSC will:

- Establish connections between USAS Safe Sport Programs and local swim clubs by maintaining a communication network to ensure that all club members are provided with the most up-to-date policies and guidelines established by the national program.
- Ensure consistency with national policies and guidelines which are the final authority for defining elements of appropriate behavior and conduct concerning Safe Sport issues.
- Enable all local swim clubs to maintain a comprehensive abuse prevention program for all members of the organization.
- Request that every VSI swim club appoint a Safe Sport Coordinator in order to establish a cooperative network between National, LSC and local swim clubs. VSI-SSC and/or individual club coordinators will be responsible or:
 - Distribution of Safe Sport Handbooks
 - Conducting training and educational workshops
 - Utilization of evaluation tools for screening and selecting coaches and other club employees.