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# **The Eighth Annual Joan Doherty Sportsmanship Award For Girls' Indoor Track**

The Annual Joan Doherty Team Sportsmanship Award is co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association and the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Association.

This award is to be presented to two girls' indoor track teams that exemplified the qualities of sportsmanship during this season and were active in community service. One team from Division 1, 2 combined and one team from Divisions 3, 4 combined will be honored at the M.I.A.A. state championship meet on Friday, February 19th.

This award is named after Joan Doherty who is a true pioneer in the area of girls track in the state of Massachusetts. She was one of the first women to coach track in a high school in Mass. She also coached one of the first girl's track teams in the state. Her teams were known for their great records but they also were known for their sportsmanship. Joan insisted that sportsmanship was a big part of the sport of track and field. She also showed her team by example how important it was to give back to your community when she stayed hours after practice to prep the track for an upcoming meet or wash team uniforms. She was active then and remains very active in the area of track in field with volunteering at developmental track meets in her area. She is a great role model for our female track athletes and remains a living example for all of us to follow.

Following is the nomination form. Please fill it out and mail it to the address provided for your team to be considered. Please help by promoting this prestigious award and pass the nomination form onto other girl's indoor track coaches.

Applications must be received by February 8, 2010.

Girls:

Division 1, 2

Division 3, 4

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**Team Sportsmanship Award**  
**For**  
**Girls Indoor Track**  
Co-sponsored by the M.I.A.A. and the M.S.T.C.A.

***Nomination form***

School \_\_\_\_\_ Division girls \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town \_\_\_\_\_  
School phone \_\_\_\_\_ School Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal \_\_\_\_\_  
Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Captain(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe why you think your team should be considered for this prestigious award. List specific examples of acts of sportsmanship and community service that might help the committee with its selection.

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Use the backside if needed.

Athletic Directors signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Frank Mooney, Mass. State Track Coaches Association,  
60 Cynthia Rd., Seekonk MA. 02771.

Please feel free to attach any further data to this application.

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