## VELOS WHO WE ARE

Velos, is a non-profit organization based in the Upstate of South Carolina. Our name, derived from the Greek word  $B\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\sigma\zeta$ , meaning "arrow," reflects our mission and purpose. Inspired by Psalm 127:3-5: "Children are a gift of the Lord, like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth," we are committed to nurturing students and athletes as arrows, equipped to make a lasting impact on the world for generations to come.

Velos is built on the vital foundation of a relationship with Christ. We believe that every aspect of life is connected to our spiritual journey. As parents, we hold the profound privilege and responsibility of serving as custodians for the generational transfer of skillful living, and Velos is here to support that sacred calling.

At the heart of Velos is our community of mentors, teachers, and coaches. Through meaningful relationships, we guide youth in discovering their God-given talents and interests. Our life-skill programs focus on developing essential values such as:

- Responsibility and stewardship of time
- Humility and servant leadership
- Building meaningful relationships
- Self-sacrifice and love for others

The lion that you will see in our branding symbolizes the Biblical reference to the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, pointing to the conquering, victorious King descended from Judah's lineage. This lion represents Jesus Christ, God in human form, who fulfills the promises and prophecies of God's Word. This truth gives us hope and confidence in the One who is ultimately our deliverer.

Our mission is to help kids and teens grow into well-rounded, Christ-centered adults who live purposeful, beautiful lives. Each student and athlete is a "difference-maker," prepared to go into the world as an arrow, carrying God's love and light to make an eternal impact. Our arrows will go forth as the lightning, sharing His love and truth wherever they go.

We're here to guide, mentor, and encourage the next generation to go out boldly, ready to make a difference for Him.

VELOS Organization is a NON-PROFIT 501(c)(3) and is run by a governing board of directors.