

**GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP**

A primary goal of the district's activity program is to teach good sportsmanship to students. Good sportsmanship is the overt display of the concepts of fair play, respect for others, ethical behavior and personal integrity. Good sportsmanship is to be taught, modeled, expected and reinforced in the classroom, on the playground, and in all activity programs within the district.

In short, the Board of Directors expects and requires all individuals connected with this district, participant or spectator, to conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the same standards of good sportsmanship that we are attempting to teach our students. Failure of any person to follow these standards should be handled by the administration taking the appropriate actions subject to Board review in certain cases.

The Board encourages the district's administration and staff to persevere in teaching good sportsmanship behaviors and expecting participants and spectators alike to demonstrate good sportsmanship behaviors. The Board supports administrative attempts to reinforce good sportsmanship behaviors when they occur and to deal effectively and decisively with cases of unsportsmanlike conduct when they occur. This includes the removal from the event and/or banishment from future events for a reasonable time of any spectator (student or adult) whose behavior significantly violates the concepts of good sportsmanship.

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**Legal Reference:** Iowa Code Section 279.8, 279.9, 716.7, 716.8 (1989) Henley v. Octorara Area School District, 701 F. Supp. 545 (E.D.Pa. 1988)

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