

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 16

SPORTSMANSHIP CODE

COACHES:

1. Know and follow the rules of your sport.
2. Accept the decisions of contest officials without inappropriate behavior.
3. No unsportsmanlike gestures or language.
4. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
5. Refrain from displaying of criticism in public arena.

PARTICIPANTS:

1. Show respect for your opponents.
2. Know and follow the rules of your sport.
3. Accept the decisions of contest officials without inappropriate behavior.
4. No unsportsmanlike gestures or language.
5. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.

SPECTATORS:

1. Show an interest in the contest by taking part in cheers with the cheerleaders and applauding good performances made by any participant.
2. Work cooperatively with contest officials and site supervisors who are there to keep order.
3. Refrain from booing, making negative comments, or placing blame on participants, coaches, or contest officials.
4. Stay off the playing floor of contest area at all times.
5. Show respect for property by not causing damage to equipment of facilities.
6. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.

CHEERLEADERS:

1. Use discretion in selecting the times to cheer.
2. Lead positive cheers that support and uplift your team and promote good sportsmanship.
3. Show and encourage support for any participant who leaves the contest after being injured.
4. Show respect for opposing cheerleaders by wishing them good luck before the contest and congratulating them in a sincere manner following either victory or defeat.

BANDS:

1. Choose appropriate music and time for performing.
2. Dress in an appropriate school approved manner.
3. Show respect at all times for officials, opponents, and spectators.
4. Show respect at all times for property, equipment, and facilities.
5. Refrain from unsportsmanlike gestures and language.
6. Show modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.

DISTRICT 16 ADMINISTRATION:

1. Provide the student body and parents with the sportsmanship code and related information.
2. Give a copy of sportsmanship information to all individuals attending contests.
3. Appoint supervisors as needed for each contest in which our schools participate.
4. Remind all fans and participants that they are guests in the home team's facility.
5. Enforce the sportsmanship code.

ACTS OF MISCONDUCT:

1. Possessing, dealing, consuming, or being under the influence of chemicals or the use of tobacco. ***
2. Possession of any weapons.
3. Loitering on or in the athletic arena.
4. Throwing of any object into the playing surface or in the stands.
5. Behavior deemed dangerous or behavior which interferes with the rights of others to observe the game.
6. Use of obscene, profane, or abusive language or gestures, posters, or banners that show disrespect for the opposing teams, officials, cheerleaders, bands, or other performing groups.
7. Use of electric or pneumatic noisemakers.
8. Entry into the playing surface during play.

These acts of misconduct will not be tolerated and will result in automatic removal from the event without a refund of admission. Further disciplinary action may follow in accordance with school and/or district policy.

***Minors may not possess tobacco.