

## Waukesha School District Spectator Code

The audience is an important part of our athletic programs. Support from the audience can be a source of significant encouragement for the athletes. It is critical that our fans exhibit high standards of sportsmanship and citizenship. Negative behaviors, which are disrespectful to referees, coaches, athletes, fans, students, parents, or school staff, are inappropriate. Those who engage in such behaviors or who are in violation of school policies or local ordinances will be subject to removal from the athletic event, possible future athletic events, and subject to referral to appropriate authorities.

The Waukesha School District believes that good sportsmanship is essential to a successful extra-curricular program. The elements of fairness, courteous behavior, and gracious acceptance of winning and losing, in both individual performance and team contests, must be incorporated into our programs.

With these objectives in mind, the Waukesha School District strongly supports the following fundamentals of sportsmanship:

1. Respect is to be shown to opponents at all times. The opponent should be treated as a guest who is greeted cordially on arriving, given the best accommodations, and accorded the tolerance, honesty and generosity that all human beings deserve.
2. Officials are to be accorded respect at all times. Officials should be recognized as impartial decision makers who are trained to do their job and who can be expected to do it to the best of their ability. Good sportsmanship implies the willingness to accept and abide by the decisions of the officials.
3. Coaches are to be accorded respect at all times. Spectators shall respect all decisions made by coaches.
4. Spectator language should be such that it will reflect favorably on the school and the students.
5. The rules of the contest are to be known, understood, and appreciated.
6. Self-control must always be maintained. A proper perspective must be maintained if the potential educational values of athletic competition are to be realized.
7. All spectators shall behave in a manner that respects others, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, and place of origin, nationality, physical or mental disability.
8. All spectators are to refrain from using tobacco/alcohol on school property.

I understand all of the rules and regulations of the Waukesha School District Spectator Code. I furthermore agree to cooperate with the schools in enforcing the code for the betterment of all concerned.

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Parent Signature

Date

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Athlete Signature

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