

SPORTSMANSHIP

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CR 6

Chair

Report No.

I. MAJOR CHANGES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Recommendation of a new game management tool and philosophy with the following for steps:

1. Must have physical presence and always aware.
2. Quick verbal Communication of issue to a fan or fans.
3. Rule on the situation: Red Card, Yellow Card, Ejection.

Note: A template is available in the Game Management and Sportsmanship Guide.

- B. Recommend that school districts create a policy that an ejected coach meet with superintendent as part of satisfying requirements for being removed from probation or restriction.
- C. A parent meeting with the specific agenda of sportsmanship is critical to creating a game atmosphere of good fun and enjoyment for all.
- D. 'Random Acts of Sportsmanship' was added to judging criteria of '#BackMySchool'.

II. RATIONALE

- A. A functional game manager must be actively present and visible. That person can be most effective when working in tandem with a SRO.
- B. Many surveys indicate that the when coach role-model's good behavior to players and fans, he or she has a significant positive impact the game environment.
- C. The coach and athletic must deliver a message of good sporting behavior to parents and share CHSAA Game Management and Sportsmanship Guide. This can only be accomplished if effectively communicated in a pre-season meeting.
- D. Combines the programs of 'Random Acts of Sportsmanship' and '#BackMySchool' that are good expressions of education-based high school activities.

III. FINANCIAL IMPACT

- A. The cost to hire an SRO. However, it will be money well spent.
- B. None.
- C. None.
- D. None.

IV COMMITTEE INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/NOTES:

- A. The students attending a seminar report that they feel officials never show any favoritism, parents should only stand up and cheer for their student-athletes and nothing more, coaches should model good behavior and teach life lessons, and student-athletes should respect the game and themselves.
- B. Schools will be rewarded for good sportsmanship. Displays of acts of good sportsmanship are to be shared with the CHSAA office. Certificates are available.
- C. The list of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is outlined in the Game Management and Sportsmanship Expectation Guide. Member schools are encouraged to review these behaviors prior to every sport season with coaches, students, and parents.
- D. CHSAA member schools “We Cheer For Our Team and Not Against Our Opponent” and “We Respect the Game” are official CHSAA sportsmanship messages.
- E. The online officials’ and schools’ evaluations and voting are designed to make both coaches and officials accountable. It is important that all parties participate in these activities.
- F. Over 210 schools are participating in the Banner Attachment Program for the next four years.
- G. The NFHS Learn site, www.nfhslearn.org, has a new free sportsmanship videos to share coaches, players, and parents.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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