



Public Address Announcements – Sportsmanship

SAMPLE PRE-GAME ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are pleased to welcome you today to [SCHOOL NAME]. Good sportsmanship is one of the primary purposes of educational athletics. Our student-athletes recognize that judgment calls- by officials, coaches and themselves- are made in good faith and should be respected. Spectators can support both of these teams by refraining from derogatory or demeaning comments and cheers today. We hope that you will enjoy the game and support the students in a positive and sportsmanlike manner.
- When [SCHOOL NAME] sponsors an athletic event, it considers that school event to be an extension of the classroom, with the lessons learned as important as those coming out of a textbook. One very important lesson for our students is the one of sportsmanship. Please help the [MASCOT NAME] in promoting good sportsmanship by refraining from derogatory remarks and gestures to players, coaches, officials or other spectators. School athletics is a vital part of student development, and together we can all help our students prepare for the future.
- Sportsmanship is a vital part of athletics. The Rhode Island Interscholastic League and its member schools are dedicated to promoting sportsmanship around the state. During the contest, if you see someone using poor behavior please notify facility personnel. [SCHOOL NAME] believes sportsmanship is of utmost importance and wants you to enjoy the contest in a fun and healthy environment. Thank you for your cooperation.
- [SCHOOL NAME] is proud to be a member of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League and believes that proper sportsmanship should be displayed at all times. Please assist the [MASCOT NAME] in showing good sportsmanship during the contest by refraining from derogatory remarks or gestures towards participants, coaches, officials or other fans. Thank you for your help and enjoy the fine efforts showcased tonight by these student-athletes.
- The student-athletes involved in tonight's contest understand the importance of sportsmanship and know that it should be practiced at all times. Please help our students by showing respect to all participants and spectators at tonight's contest and cheering only in a positive manner.

SAMPLE IN-GAME ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fans, while enjoying the action tonight, please remember to show good sportsmanship by refraining from derogatory yells or gestures. With your help, [SCHOOL NAME] can ensure everyone has a positive experience.
- Interscholastic athletics teach many important lessons that extend beyond the sidelines. One such lesson is sportsmanship. Please help teach our students this important life lesson during and after the contest by cheering and showing support for good plays on both teams.
- [SCHOOL NAME] would like to thank you for attending tonight's contest. Please remember to show good sportsmanship by cheering and showing positive support for your team as well as displaying encouragement for all participants involved.

- Hard work, dedication and perseverance are instrumental in reaching success on the athletic field. Please help in supporting the efforts of all the athletes participating tonight and remember that sportsmanship is something that should be practiced at all times.

SAMPLE POST-GAME ANNOUNCEMENT

- [SCHOOL NAME] would like to thank you for attending tonight's contest and wish you a safe trip home. Remember that sportsmanship is always important and should be practiced before, during and after the game. Our students are very important, and with your help we all can teach them the lesson of proper sportsmanship.
- As you leave the facility (gym, field), please remember that all participants involved in tonight's contest gave their very best effort. Please help show your support of these fine student-athletes by acting in a sportsmanlike manner.