

## PARENT/SPECTATOR EXPECTATIONS

Parents, guardians, and spectators are encouraged to cheer their teams on with enthusiasm while exhibiting good sportsmanship. The school will not tolerate being on the floor/field before, during, or after the game, or berating the players, coaches, and/or officials.

### ISSUES NOT APPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS WITH COACHES AT ANY TIME

1. Pressure to increase playing time
2. Team strategy
3. Play calling
4. Other student-athletes and/or participants

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the others' position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedures should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern:

1. Call to set up an appointment with the coach (24-hour waiting period)
2. Student athlete must be present during all meetings
3. Do not attempt to confront a coach or interfere with the players before, during, or after a contest or practice unless their student has been injured. Parents and spectators should not enter the locker room, dugout, bench, or be on the sidelines before, during, or after a contest or practice unless their student has been injured and they have the coach's permission. These can be emotional times for both the parents and the coach. Meetings of this nature usually do not promote resolution.

If these procedures, including sportsmanship, are not followed, the parent, guardian, or spectator will face the following consequences:

#### FIRST OFFENSE:

Parent, guardian, or spectator will not be allowed to attend the next competition at that level and meeting with the administrative staff.

#### SECOND OFFENSE:

Parent, guardian, or spectator will be asked to have a meeting with the administrative staff and will not be allowed to attend any other games or activities for that season.

These terms apply to home and away games. Suspensions not fulfilled will be carried over into the following year.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signing this document states that you are aware of the spectator policy, and in no way does it state agreement or disagreement.