



A Journey Towards Good Sportsmanship

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“One man practicing sportsmanship is far better than a hundred teaching it.”

→Knut Rockne



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What is Good Sportsmanship?



What is Good Sportsmanship?

- Helping
- Represent
- Applause
- Modesty and Graciousness
- Cheerleaders
- Respect & Integrity



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A picture is worth a thousand words. This is what the @Olympics spirit is all about! 🇨🇦 🇺🇸
#curlingfamily #classact
📷: The Canadian Press/Ryan Remiorz



What is Good Sportsmanship?

- Encouragement
- Positive behavior
- Competition
- Modelling



Examples of Good Sportsmanship



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Speed Skating



Norwegian Helps Canadian



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What is Poor Sportsmanship?



What is Poor Sportsmanship?

- Booing or heckling
- Competitors
- Profanity
- Blaming
- Running up the score



Examples of Poor Sportsmanship



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What is Sportsmanship?



What is Sportsmanship?

- ❖ Playing fair
- ❖ Taking a loss or defeat without complaint
- ❖ Not gloating when winning
- ❖ Generally treating opponents and officials with courtesy, generosity and fairness.
- ❖ Citizenship
- ❖ Integrity
- ❖ Ethics
- ❖ Respect for Opponents, Officials, Coaches, Fans
- ❖ Moral Character
- ❖ Fair Play
- ❖ Acceptance of Results
- ❖ Appreciation for all Performances



Who Teaches Sportsmanship?

- ❖ Parents
- ❖ Coaches
- ❖ Teachers
- ❖ Administrators
- ❖ Officials
- ❖ Bus Drivers
- ❖ Community
- ❖ Students
- ❖ Media
- ❖ Spectators
- ❖ Athletes (High School, College, Professional)



Sportsmanship

Does your school have an athletic code of conduct or a sportsmanship standard?



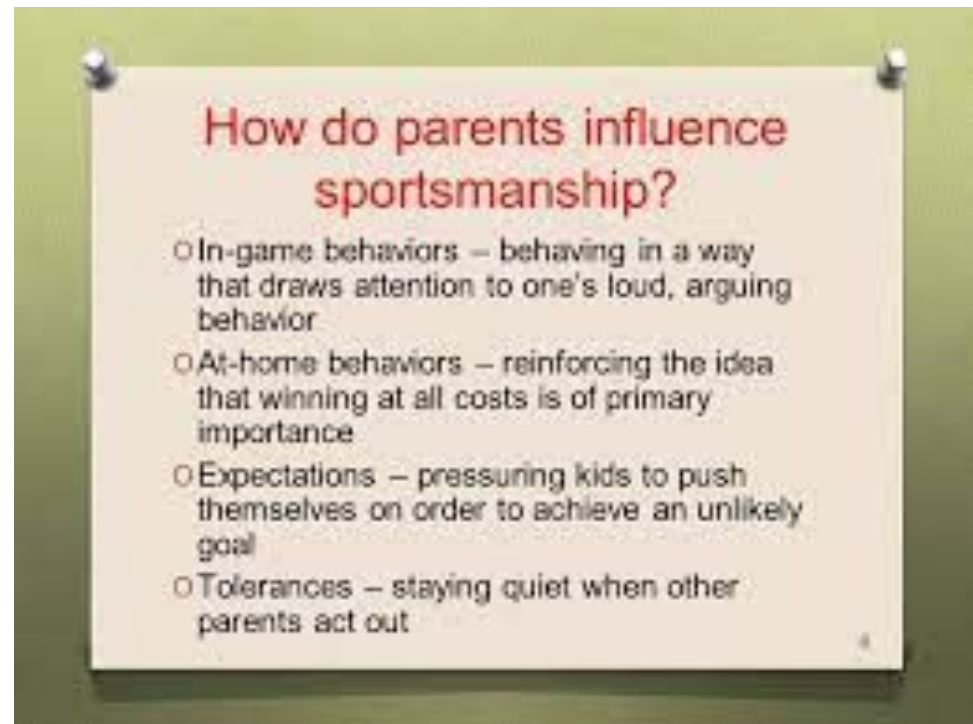
Role of the Parent in Sportsmanship



What is the Role of the Parent in Sportsmanship?



Role of the Parent in Sportsmanship



Role of the Coach in Sportsmanship

- ❖ Promote Integrity
- ❖ Minimize Selfish Actions
- ❖ Respect All Officials
- ❖ Encourage Teamwork
- ❖ Focus on Learning
- ❖ Complement the Other Team for Great Plays
- ❖ Praise a Player for Hustle
- ❖ Criticize Constructively & Privately
- ❖ Show Class in Victory & Defeat
- ❖ Keep it in Perspective



Role of Student Athletes in Sportsmanship

- ❖ Live up to Standards
- ❖ Celebrations
- ❖ Understand the Game
- ❖ Respect
 - Opponent
 - Officials
 - Game



Why Teach Sportsmanship



How to Actively Teach Sportsmanship

- ❖ Parent Meetings
- ❖ Responsibility for Actions
- ❖ Code of Conduct
- ❖ Understanding Winning & Losing



How to Actively Teach Sportsmanship

- ❖ Develop in-school programs
- ❖ Examples of good sportsmanship
- ❖ Meet with student leaders
- ❖ Athletes



Ways to Recognize Sportsmanship

- ❖ Rewards
- ❖ Announcements
- ❖ Acknowledgement
- ❖ Don't stop with just players.



Ways to Promote a Culture of Sportsmanship

Battle of the Fans



- ❖ Students: collaborate with ADs
- ❖ Organize, Communicate, Leadership
- ❖ Creative Theme Nights
- ❖ Include Everyone
- ❖ Music
- ❖ Positive 100% of the Time
- ❖ Work With the AD from the other school
- ❖ Come up with a unique name for your fans



Ways to Promote a Culture of Sportsmanship

Ideas from Battle of the Fans

- ❖ Theme Nights
- ❖ Driller Nation Shirt
- ❖ Prep Rally
- ❖ Travelling Pep Rally
- ❖ Time Out / Between Quarters / Half-Time Fillers/End of Game
- ❖ Choreographed Dances, Sing-a-longs, Cheers
- ❖ Positivity - IMPORTANT - Eliminate Negative cheers...



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“What you permit, you promote. What you allow, you encourage. What you condone, you own.” Anonymous



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Resources

- ❖ Brochure Ohio State School Athletic Association
- ❖ Illinois High School Association Sports Manual
- ❖ Promoting Sportsmanship Presentation - NIAAA
- ❖ Ohio State University Master of Athletic Administration
- ❖ Expect Sportsmanship - Michigan High School Athletic Association
- ❖ Youtube
- ❖ CBC
- ❖ NFHS - Brochure - National High School Activities Month
- ❖ ASAA



THANK YOU!

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