

## **5570 SPORTSMANSHIP**

The Board of Education requires that all individuals involved in or attending the athletic and intramural programs sponsored by the Board exhibit sportsmanship when representing the school at any athletic event. Sportsmanship is defined as abiding by the rules of the contest as defined or accepted by the participating teams and the gracious acceptance of victory or defeat.

Student athletes are expected to adhere to the NJSIAA (New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association) Sports Code of Ethics:

- Represent their school and team with the highest standards of proper behavior and conduct.
- Respect the integrity and personality of teammates, opponents and coaches.
- Abide by the rules of the game with modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- Respect the decisions and judgment of officials.
- Refrain from using obscenities or profanities.
- Strive for maximum achievement in scholastic and athletic competition.
- Practice good health habits.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship in both winning and losing.
- Abstain from use of unhealthy and illegal substances.
- Follow the rules of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association.

Parents/spectators should:

- Show respect for all student athletes and coaches of both teams and their supporters.
- Refrain from using obscenities or profanities.
- Refrain from making disparaging remarks about players, coaches, officials and spectators.
- Respect the integrity and judgment of contest officials.
- Be a positive role model through his/her own actions.
- Demonstrate an appreciation for the athleticism of all contestants.
- Refrain from possession or use of tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, or other drugs at all sporting events.

NJSIAA Guidelines

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Student athletes who violate Policy 5570, shall be subject to the following disciplinary actions to be imposed by the Principal or designee.

- A. Violations shall be dealt with in the following manner:
  - 1. First Offense – warning by the Principal or designee.
  - 2. Second Offense – short term suspension from the athletic or intramural program – duration to be determined by the Principal or designee, but not to exceed ten school days.
  - 3. Third Offense - long term suspension - up to one school year from the athletic or intramural program.
  - 4. Fourth Offense - permanent expulsion from participation in the athletic or intramural program by the Principal or designee.
- B. The determination of the Principal or designee may be appealed to the Superintendent who shall make a determination within ten working days.
- C. A determination by the Superintendent resulting in a long term suspension or expulsion from the athletic or intramural program may be appealed to the Board which may hold a hearing on the matter and render a determination of the matter within thirty calendar days.
- D. Spectators who violate Policy 5570 may be removed from the sporting event.