

### **Athletic Directors**

- \* Implement a program for teaching and promoting sportsmanship.
- \* Provide appropriate supervisory personnel for each interscholastic event.
- \* Attend events, whenever possible.
- \* If an athletic director cannot attend his or her home game, he or she must designate a suitable replacement and report it to the opposing school and/or league.
- \* Implement a crowd-control plan for both home and away games.
- \* Actively discourage undesirable conduct by participants, coaches and fans.
- \* Follow all league rules as written.
- \* League rule sheets and the sportsmanship code of conduct are to be available on all score tables.
- \* Discuss inter-league sportsmanship issues by phone call or in person -- with the appropriate athletic director.
- \* Apply sportsmanship policies/rules equitably at all times.
- \* Communicate resolutions of any issues to opposing team athletic director and/or the league.

### **Coaches**

- \* Know and follow the MMIAA Rules for all sports contests.
- \* Accept the decisions of contest officials.
- \* Maintain excellent sportsmanship at all times.
- \* Model by example through action and instruction.
- \* Refrain from any offensive gestures or language.
- \* Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- \* Avoid public criticism of game officials.
- \* Teach sportsmanship and reward/acknowledge players who display good sportsmanship.
- \* Provide instructions, training, and motivation without put-downs and/or the use of abusive language.
- \* Educate and sensitize themselves to cultural differences, gender equity, and disability issues.

### **Student Athletes**

- \* Show respect at all times for coaches, opponents, game officials, and spectators.
- \* Adhere to the rules of the game.
- \* Accept the decisions of contest officials.
- \* Refrain from any offensive gestures or language.
- \* Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- \* Show respect for public property and equipment -- at both home and away events.
- \* Know there is zero tolerance for any drug and/or alcohol use.
- \* Remember that the value of a human being is more important than winning.
- \* Treat the sporting event as a game not a war.
- \* Maintain the above standards of behavior, at all times, on and off the court.

**Spectators**

- \* Let the coach do the coaching.
- \* Let the referee do the officiating.
- \* Cheer for your team not against the other team.
- \* Show respect for public property and equipment -- at both home and away events.
- \* Only athletes, coaches, and authorized personal are allowed on the playing fields/ courts.
- \* Refrain from any offensive gestures or language.
- \* Take any complaint to the appropriate person in chain of command (follow your school policy as to the sequence of your chain of command).

**Officials**

- \* Manage spectators for poor behavior.
- \* Manage the flow of the game while still calling a fair game.
- \* Remain neutral at all times.
- \* Do not engage in any arguments.
- \* If you are a sub accept that there may be a delay in receiving payment.

**Sportsmanship Award Plaque**

This award will be judged over the course of each sporting season. An award plaque will be given at both JV and Varsity tournament contests. Coaches for each team will be watchful, throughout the season, of student-athlete sportsmanship. At the end of the season, each head coach will be asked to vote for the team that he or she thought to have exhibited the best sportsmanship throughout the season. The coach MAY NOT vote for his or her own team. Results will be tallied and the award presented at the subsequent tournament.

**Signature                      Date**

**STUDENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**COACH** \_\_\_\_\_