

Sportsmanship

Students learn immeasurable unique lessons through interscholastic athletic participation.

Educators universally agree, of all the goals established as outcomes for students involved in school sports, **sportsmanship is primary.**

Students who learn to value and practice sportsmanlike behavior are developing the characteristics of good citizenship. Honesty, generosity, self discipline, a sincere concern for others, ethical behavior and a commitment to fair play are all demonstrated in sportsmanship.

Make Sportsmanship a premier concern in every sport.

Sportsmanship-(noun): Sportsmanship is a demonstration of generosity and genuine concern for others. It is a concrete measure of the understanding and commitment to fair play, ethical behavior and integrity.

A good sport.....is a person known for the manner of his/her acceptance of the rules of the game or of a difficult situation.



Sportsmanship: *By Jo Weems, counselor, Webaunsee High School, Kansas*

Sportsmanship is many things. It is not always easy to be a good sport, but it is vital to life.

Sportsmanship is smiling sincerely at the referee who called a foul on you when you did not make it.

Sportsmanship is not booing the referee when he/she makes a bad call.

Sportsmanship is cheering for your team-especially when they are losing.

Sportsmanship is wanting to work as a team more than being high point.

Sportsmanship is caring about your teammates more than yourself.

Sportsmanship is going to practice every day and working as hard as you can every minute.

Sportsmanship is sending a letter to the team that beat you in the playoffs and wishing them the best of luck in the state division-and meaning it.

Sportsmanship is a coach leading by example and displaying sportsmanship him/herself.

