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Dear Parents:

The role of the parent in the education of a youngster is important. The support shown in the home is often shown in their willingness to take advantage of the opportunities offered in the classroom, and through co-curricular activities.

There is a value system - established in the home, nurtured in the school which young people are developing. Their involvement in classroom and other activities contributes to the development. Integrity, fairness and respect are lifetime values taught through athletics. These are the principles of good sportsmanship. With them, the spirit of competition thrives, fueled by honest rivalry, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of the results..

A good sport, whether a student or a parent, is a true leader in the community.. As a parent of a student at our school, your sportsmanship goals should include:

- realizing that athletics are part of the educational experience, and that the benefits of involvement go beyond the final score of a game
- encouraging our students to perform their best while also realizing that others will always turn in better or lesser performances
- cheering positively encourage the young athletes on your team and without any negative comments towards the opposition cheers
- respecting the rules of the game and the officials who enforce them
- respecting and supporting our coaches as teachers who strive to prepare young athletes from competition
- respecting all opponents as students and acknowledging them for striving to do their best
- maintaining a sense of dignity under all circumstances even when it may appear that a contests outcome may go against your team

These and other expectations are included in the attached guidelines. We hope you will take a few moments to review them. They provide a roadmap to follow and create a well balanced spirit of competition and enjoyment for interscholastic athletics.

You have a major influence on your youngster's attitude about academics and athletics. The leadership role you take in sportsmanship will help influence your child and our community, for years to come.

I look forward to your continued support of our athletic programs.

Sincerely,

Robert Haraka