



“Sports do not build character. They reveal it” ~ Heywood Hale Broun

<p><u>Sportsmanship Checklist for Players:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Abide by the rules of the game. Play fair. * Treat others as you wish to be treated. * Share in the responsibilities of the team. * Respect the other team’s effort. * Offer encouragement to teammates. * Accept the judgment calls of the game officials without complaint. * Follow the directions of the coach. * Shake hands and congratulate the opponent at the end of the game. 	<p><u>Sportsmanship is the ability to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Win without gloating * Lose without complaining * (don’t make excuses) * Treat your opponent and the officials with respect <p><u>Sportsmanship Tips:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * If you make a mistake don’t pout or make excuses. Learn from it, and be ready to continue to play. * If a teammate makes a mistake, encourage, don’t criticize.
<p><u>Sportsmanship Checklist for Coaches:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Always set a good example for players and fans, exemplify the highest moral and ethical behavior. * Teach good sportsmanship and set high standards for the player, parents and fans. * Develop and enforce penalties for players who do not abide by good sportsmanship standards. * Treat opposing coaches, players and fans with respect. Shake hands with officials and opposing coaches. * Don’t use profanity or display anger that draws attention away from the game. 	<p><u>Sportsmanship Checklist for Parents and Fans:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Realize that it is a privilege to observe a contest, not an opportunity to verbally assault others. * Be a model by positively supporting teams/players in every possible manner including cheers. * Recognize and acknowledge good performances by athletes on either team. * Support those participating, coaching, and officiating the event. * Respect the judgment and strategy of the coach. * Encourage sportsmanship conduct around you.