

## SPORTSMANSHIP

### BARABOO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

#### **833.1**

The School District of Baraboo believes that sportsmanship is important for participants and spectators alike. The District expects school participants and fans to show high standards of conduct and sportsmanship at all times. To promote these expectations, the following principles have been adopted to reinforce the District's strong belief in good conduct at athletic events and all school-sponsored activities.

1. Interscholastic activities exist for its educational value. While winning may be important, the prime objective is to appreciate the educational and athletic development of students.
2. Spectators and participants are all guests at this educational experience. They have the responsibility to uphold the ideals of good manners and sportsmanship.
3. The District recognizes that officials do their best to make quick, fair and unbiased decisions and expects fans and participants to respect the judgment of contest officials, abide by the rules of the contest and display positive behavior.
4. Each and every competitor is worthy of respect and should be treated with courtesy.
5. A true competitor is humble in victory and gracious in defeat.

The District believes in these concepts. It is also believed that the District must continuously work at good sportsmanship. Fans, competitors and coaches at all contests are asked to take seriously the task of good sportsmanship.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 120.12(2), 120.13(1)(a), Wisconsin Statutes

CROSS REF.: 377 Athletic Programs

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