Spectator Code of Conduct

The Irene-Wakonda School District is committed to providing a safe, positive, and respectful environment for all students, staff, officials, and spectators at school-sponsored events. All spectators are expected to abide by this Code of Conduct.

Acceptable Behaviors

- Cheer positively: Encourage teams and individuals in a supportive and respectful manner.
- **Respect officials:** Accept decisions made by coaches, referees, and school staff without argument or negative reaction.
- Model sportsmanship: Use appropriate language and gestures at all times, win or lose.
- Support all participants: Applaud a good effort by all athletes, regardless of team.
- **Promote safety and inclusion:** Help maintain an environment free from bullying, harassment, and discrimination.
- **Report concerns:** Promptly inform school staff if you witness unsafe or inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Behaviors

- Offensive language or gestures: Swearing, making obscene gestures, or using hateful speech.
- **Physical altercations:** Fighting, shoving, or any form of physical intimidation.
- **Disruptive actions:** Entering the playing area without permission, throwing objects, or interfering in the event.
- **Substance abuse:** Consumption of alcohol, tobacco, vaping, or illegal substances on school property.
- Vandalism or property damage: Defacing, destroying, or misusing school property or facilities.
- **Harassment or discrimination:** Any comments or behaviors that are racist, sexist, homophobic, or otherwise discriminatory.

Consequences for Unacceptable Behaviors

The following actions may be taken at the discretion of school officials, depending on the severity and frequency of the offense:

- **Verbal warning** issued by event staff or school administration.
- **Removal from the event** for the remainder of the day.
- Suspension from attending future events for a period determined by school officials.
- Notification of law enforcement if the behavior violates the law or endangers others.
- **Permanent ban** from attending any future school-sponsored events if behavior is severe or repeated.
- Other disciplinary measures as deemed necessary by the school administration.

Enforcement

All spectators must abide by the Code of Conduct. Compliance ensures a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone. Thank you for supporting Irene-Wakonda School District and demonstrating good sportsmanship!