

Sportsmanship

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association requires officials to enforce sportsmanship rules. High school athletics must emphasize positive values. All parties should work hard to create a sense of teamwork, responsibility and perspective. Officials expect good behavior and will quickly penalize misconduct. We encourage and appreciate the help of all spectators in achieving these aims. Let every competition reflect mutual respect among all in attendance.

The Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Louisville affirm and support the sportsmanship expectations of the KHSAA. We believe that sports can be a means for student-athletes to learn lessons in Christian identity, sportsmanship, competition, leadership, cooperation, self-discipline, goal setting and fair play. Athletics play an important part in helping the individual develop a healthy self concept as well as a healthy body. Athletic competition can help students, participants and spectators develop pride in their school.

We expect all our student-athletes:

- To be a responsible and contributing member of the team and school.
- To make selfless efforts in working with others to reach a common goal.
- To play and live by the rules of the sport.
- To show appreciation and respect for others, whether they are teammates, opponents, officials, coaches or spectators.
- To serve as a positive example by accepting both victory and defeat with pride and compassion.

We expect our coaches to serve as a positive example of fair play, sportsmanship, and respect towards their own players, opposing players, coaches, and game officials.

We expect our cheerleaders and students to keep all cheers positive; to avoid efforts to distract the opposing team's efforts; to refrain from rubbing-in defeat; to respect the players and fans of the opposing team before, during and after the game; to refrain from negative social communications with all teammates and opponents.

We expect parents and other fans to model good sportsmanship; to refrain from any negative personal and social communications; to refrain from the possession and use of alcohol at high school contests.

Archdiocese of Louisville Catholic High Schools

Assumption High School

Holy Cross High School

Sacred Heart Academy

Bethlehem High School

Mercy Academy

St. Xavier High School

St. Francis DeSales High School

Presentation Academy

Trinity High School