

RADIO AND TELEVISION ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SPORTSMANSHIP

1. Role models are more important than ever in today's society. You can serve as a role model for others the next time you display good sportsmanship at a high school event. Good sports are winners, so the next time you attend a school event, remember to be a good sport and act in a proper manner. Everyone appreciates the good values portrayed by acts of good sportsmanship. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
2. In our society, winning has come to mean everything. However, if winning comes at the expense of good sportsmanship, everyone is a loser. Nothing is gained in the long run. Good sportsmanship is the result of a disciplined effort to respect yourself, your opponents and contest officials. Remember, good sports are winners, so be a good sport and practice good sportsmanship. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
3. Don't ever confuse a good sport with the nice guys who supposedly finish last. Sportsmanlike behavior has nothing to do with a contestant's or spectator's competitive spirit, and more often than not, a display of poor sportsmanship leads to a losing performance. Good sports are winners, regardless of the final score. Remember to "Be A Sport" and practice good sportsmanship. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
4. Your ticket to an interscholastic event is a privilege, a privilege to watch youngsters learn on the playing field / court. A lesson taught to the contestants, is one spectators can follow as well — that of good sportsmanship. Unruly behavior is unacceptable in the classroom, and the playing field / court is a classroom. Remember to "Be A Sport" the next time you attend an athletic event. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
5. Winning — the No. 1 syndrome — is the No. 1 problem in interscholastic contests. High school events are truly educational in nature, and among the values learned are those associated with good sportsmanship. Being No. 1 in sportsmanship is educationally more important than being No. 1 on the playing field / court. Take pride in your team by displaying good sportsmanship. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
6. The score of any event is generally forgotten over time, but the actions of contestants, coaches and spectators are remembered. The next time you attend a high school event, think of how history will remember you. Choose the side of good sportsmanship when attending a high school event. Remember, good sports show you how to play the contest. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
7. A positive educational environment is essential to the success of high school athletics and activity programs. An important part of that environment is planning for good sportsmanship. Without good

sportsmanship, the lessons learned lose their value. Remember the next time you attend an interscholastic contest that you are really inside a classroom where good sports receive the highest grade. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).

8. While the scoreboard reveals the winner of a high school contest, the real winners are those people who treat competition as a contest and not a war, those who show genuine concern for an injured contestant and those who accept all decisions of the officials. Remember to “Be A Sport” when you attend a high school event. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
9. Ethics, integrity and respect are values important in our daily lives. All of these important values are learned by participation in interscholastic programs. during competition, they are translated into one word — sportsmanship. Sportsmanship is one of the strongest educational lessons and lifetime values taught by interscholastic activities. It makes sense to exhibit good sportsmanship. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
10. Yelling or waving arms during an opponent’s free-throw attempt, as well as booing and heckling an official’s decision, are examples of unacceptable behavior at a high school sporting event. Good sports respect the opponent and officials at all times. The next time you attend a high school contest, remember to applaud for the performances of all participants. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
11. Remember that a ticket is a privilege to observe a contest and support high school activities, not a license to verbally assault others. There is no place in interscholastic activities for name-calling to distract an opponent or the use of profanity from the stands. Sportsmanship is the No. 1 priority at the high school level, so “Be A Sport” the next time you watch a contest. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
12. The dictionary defines good sportsmanship as playing fair and being a good winner or loser. We often forget that its more important to be gracious in victory. Good sportsmanship gives us a standard to follow at all times. Good sports act courteously and maintain self-control in all circumstances. Remember to be a fan and not a fanatic when watching interscholastic activities and activity programs. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
13. A coach once wrote, “When we lose without excuses and when we acknowledge the better team, we place winning and losing in their proper perspective. That’s when we find out if we can be good sports.” Sportsmanship is a goal to strive for at all times, in activities and in our daily lives. Remember to act in a proper manner the next time you attend a high school event. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
14. Coaches should set a good example for contestants and fans, always exemplifying the highest moral and ethical behavior. Participants should treat opponents with respect and shake hands prior to and after contests. Fans should be fans, not fanatics. Sportsmanship. It is vital to the success and further existence of interscholastic activity programs. Remember to be a good sport. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).
15. Good sportsmanship is learned, practiced and executed. Respect for the opponent, spectators, coaches and officials is a must at all levels of athletics and activity programs. At interscholastic contests, behavior on the part of everyone should be characterized by generosity and genuine concern for others. Display good

sportsmanship the next time you attend a high school event. A public-service message from your Idaho High School Activities Association and (*name of school*).