

Maine Principals' Association Sportsmanship Code

The following code has been adopted by the Maine Principals' Association and accepted by John Bapst. Sportsmanship is that quality of honor that desires to be courteous, fair, respectful and is interpreted in the conduct of players, spectators, coaches, and school authorities. Remember that you as well as the athlete represent our school.

1. Encourage good sportsmanship, courteous treatment of visitors, and absolute fairness under all conditions.
2. Acquaint outsiders with the ideals of sportsmanship, which are acceptable to your high school.
3. Impress upon persons attending games their responsibility for the maintenance of proper standards of sportsmanship.
4. Become familiar with the rules of eligibility and support your team, especially when it is losing and needs you. Don't be a "Fair Weather" supporter.

We do not believe ...

1. In yelling during the time for free throws.
2. In booing or razzing of anyone.
3. In the use of profane language.
4. In taking advantage of opponents.

We do believe ...

1. In controlling our tempers to the best of our abilities.
2. In being good sports whether in victory or defeat.
3. In accepting decisions as they are made.
4. In treating officials and opponents with the respect due them as fellow human beings.

Behavior John Bapst requires of its student-athletes

As team members, athletes must recognize that:

1. They are official representatives of this school.
2. They represent their families, friends, and community.
3. They are expected to be leaders in promoting good school citizenship.
4. They should not expect nor will they receive special privileges because they are athletes.
5. Their actions in and out of school build student respect and contribute to improved school spirit, this responsibility implies that proper respect be given to administration, teachers, coaches, officials, fellow teammates, fellow athletes, and the student body.
6. They must remain in compliance with the eligibility rules of the Maine Principals' Association and those of John Bapst.