

Dear Student-Athlete,

Student-athletes who are good sports are positive role models within _____ High School and the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (KPBSD). A good sport knows that athletic competition builds character and shapes lifetime attitudes. You, in turn, will experience additional educational and leadership benefits that come from participation in sports.

Integrity, fairness and respect are inherent principles of good sportsmanship. With them the spirit of competition thrives, fueled by honest rivalry, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of the results.

As an athlete at _____, your sportsmanship goals should include:

- Developing a sense of dignity under all circumstances*
- Respecting the rules of the games, the officials who administer the rules and their decisions*
- Respecting opponents as fellow students and acknowledging them for striving to do their best while you seek your best at the same time*
- Looking at athletic participation as a potentially beneficial learning experience regardless of the results*
- Educating other students and fans to understand the rules of the game and the value of sportsmanship*

These are the expectations that give us a roadmap to follow toward a more productive atmosphere for interscholastic athletics.

You are the spokesperson for _____ and the KPBSD when you represent us in athletic competition. Your actions are viewed by family and friends, opposing fans, the local community, and the media. Your display of good sportsmanship will show the most positive things about you and your school, and will hopefully remind us all that in the end, sports are meant to be fun.

Good luck and good health for a rewarding season of play.

Sincerely,

*Dave Jones
Asst. Superintendent
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