

10 Ways to Encourage Good Sportsmanship



1. Always be an example of good sportsmanship for your players
2. Encourage players to use appropriate language to express themselves
3. Use positive reinforcement to encourage fair play
4. Never humiliate a player or allow humiliation towards players by others
5. Every member of the team is important, give them all a chance to play
6. Encourage the spectators to cheer appropriately and positively for all the players in the game
7. The opposing team is not the enemy. Neither are the officials. Treat both with respect
8. Remember that every player is unique, with different gifts to offer
9. Instruct players so that they know the consequences of their actions
10. Begin each game in prayer, end each game with a sportsmanship line and, if possible, a group prayer