



# WORCESTER CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear WCS Parents, students, and community members:

We at Worcester Central School believe athletics, like all extracurricular activities, play an important part in education. The involvement of students in interscholastic activities contributes to their lifetime development and character traits such as: trustworthiness, caring, fairness, honesty, respect and citizenship. These are life long values that are learned as a student-athlete, and are the foundation for good sportsmanship and in becoming responsible citizens. We need your help as adult spectators in providing positive examples for our student-athletes and fellow spectators.

The following are the expectations of all Worcester Central School spectators:

- Understand that interscholastic athletics are about students learning and having fun.
- Make your cheers supportive and not degrading to student-athletes, coaches, officials or spectators.
- Be a positive role model through your own actions. Remain calm and composed before, during, and after games.
- Realize there is enough pressure on athletes to perform. Reacting negatively or critically to athletes' mistakes adds unneeded stress and take away from the fun of the game.
- Remember these are **student-athletes not professionals**, the **officials are human and will make mistakes**, the **opponents are student-athletes and their fans are friendly competitors, not enemies**.

We have a commitment to promote good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators at all athletic events. Profane or abusive language, degrading remarks, or intimidating behavior directed at players, coaches, officials, competitors, and other spectators will not be tolerated. Any spectator who violates the standards of good sportsmanship will be asked to leave the event and may forfeit the ability to attend future school events. Thank you for your promotion of good sportsmanship, being a good role model and positively representing the pride of Worcester athletics.

Sincerely,

Tim Gonzales  
Executive Principal