

EDUCATION OF PARTICIPANTS, COACHES, ADMINISTRATORS, PARENTS AND GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION AND NECESSARY REGULATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

- Renewed and continued emphasis on education of participants, coaches, administrators, parents and the general public about requirements for participation;
- Educate all constituencies on the basic guiding lifetime principles taught through participation including:
 - Sportsmanship- following the rules of the game, respecting the judgment of referees and officials, treating opponents with respect, respect for one's opponent and graciousness in winning or losing;
 - Integrity- consistency of actions, values, methods, measures, principles, expectations and outcomes. The truthfulness or accuracy of one's actions;
 - Fair Play- a shared interpretation of the rules, the equal treatment of all concerned, sticking to the agreed rules, not using unfair advantages;
 - Honesty- uprightness and fairness, truthfulness, sincerity or frankness, freedom from deceit or fraud. To consistently seek and speak the truth;
 - Respect- a positive feeling of esteem for a person or other entity, and specific actions and conduct representative of that esteem;
 - Equity- fairness, just and right, equitable treatment of all, dealing fairly and equally with all concerned; and
 - Fair Competition- competitors within a competition should have equal opportunity to compete, not necessarily equal opportunity to win or capture a trophy; and
- Emphasize overall development of student-athletes. Participation in athletics should aid in the physiological and psychological development of the student-athlete.