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Dear Newington Athletics fans, parents, and players,

As we get past the halfway point in the season, the Newington Athletics Department would just like to take a moment to remind everyone of their role in representing Newington High School and the town of Newington. It seems that as the year goes on there is a little more negativity towards officials and players during contests, so please let this serve as a reminder as to what we need from anyone in attendance at our contests. We greatly appreciate all the positive support that is provided to our teams and want to emphasize those aspects for the remainder of the season.

Administration and support staff

- Will have increased awareness during contests of spectator and player behavior.
- Will reinforce to spectators that they should only be cheering their team and supporting their student athletes. Criticism of officials, players, & coaches should **NEVER** occur and will not be tolerated.
- Will remove spectators who are criticizing officials, coaches, or players.

Spectators

- Will positively cheer and support their team and good plays by both teams.
- Will **NOT** challenge any officials call or ridicule any official for their decisions. (Negative comments guided towards officials will only hurt the team and impression of our players, coaches, fans, and community. We need to be conscious that officials are always trying to do their best and should never challenge their decisions from the stands.)
- Understand that administration and support staff will not tolerate negative comments guided towards officials, other coaches, and/or players and will result in removal from particular contests or, potentially, the remainder of the season.

Players

- Will only voice positive support of their teammates.
- Will not engage in negative altercations with other players, coaches, officials, or fans.
- Will respect fellow players, coaches, and officials decisions at all times.

Regards,

The Newington Athletic Department

Mission Statement

Newington High School, a community of learners, is committed to providing all students with high quality learning experiences by challenging and actively engaging them in their education in a safe, welcoming, and enriching environment. All students are held to the highest standards of academic and behavioral expectations. These expectations are achieved through a dynamic partnership among students, staff, home and community. In an increasingly technological and ever-changing world, Newington High School provides all students with the knowledge, skills and values needed to set goals and reach their full potential as lifelong learners.