

# Cheers and Chants

## ACCEPTABLE

*Let's-go-Sha-ker!*

*De-Fense!*

*Hey Everybody, get on your feet!  
(team name) can't be beat!  
Yell Go-Fight-win! YEAH!  
C'mon crowd, yell it loud!  
Yell Go-Fight-Win*

(cheer for your TEAM, not against the opponent, fans or officials)

## OUT-OF-BOUNDS

*Warm up the bus! Warm up the Bus!*

*Na, Na..Na, Na, Na..Na, Na, Na...Hey Hey Hey...  
Goodbye!*

*You-can't-do-that!*

*We-can't-hear-you!*

*Check-the-score-board!*

*Whose that? Winning Team!  
Whose that? Losing Team!*

**NOTE:** These are examples and are not limited. The host school has final discretion on what is acceptable and out-of-bounds.

# Team Effort

## ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS

- Informs and provides insight to superiors.
- Establishes philosophy with coaches.
- Initiates programs and messages for athletes.
- Parents as Partners

## COACHES

- Be a good role model.
- Emphasize sportsmanship from the beginning.
- Talk about combining seriousness and playfulness.
- Communicate the importance of sportsmanship to fans.
- Know and teach the rules of the game.
- Don't forget to have fun.

## STUDENT ATHLETES

- Abide by the rules of the game.
- Try to avoid arguments.
- Share in the responsibilities of the team.
- Always play fair.
- Respect the other team's effort.
- Offer encouragement to teammates.
- Accept the judgment calls of the game officials.

## OFFICIALS

- NYSPHSAA requires officials to enforce all sportsmanship rules for athletes and coaches

## PARENTS

- Get involved in promoting citizenship.
- Be intentional about citizenship-use teachable moments.
- Be a good role model.
- Set high expectations and limits.
- Reinforce positive behavior; address negative behavior.

## SPECTATORS

- Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Positive!
- Be a FAN, not a fanatic
- Support local rules & regulations

# Event Management

Here are a few suggestions to consider to improve the overall athletic experience.

- Have signs that clearly define the expectations of your school
- Properly educate and train your supervisors
- Implement a system to monitor entrance into your facility
- Address concerns before they become a problem



*PA Announcement*  
**BE LOUD**  
**BE PROUD**  
**BE POSITIVE**

*The New York State Public High School Athletic Association supports and encourages spectators to enjoy the competition between our student-athletes and cheer for their teams in a positive manner. Negative comments and behavior will be addressed by the appropriate site personnel. Spectators should "Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Positive" toward all players, coaches, officials and spectators. Thank you for your support and enjoy the game.*