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Dear Parents and Student Athletes:

At its August 23, 1999 meeting, the Holyoke School Committee received and approved the following Sportsmanship Policy for the Holyoke Public Schools:

SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

The ideals of good sportsmanship, ethical behavior, and integrity should permeate all school activities, including interscholastic athletics.

Athletes and fans of the Holyoke Public Schools sports teams represent their communities as well as their school.

Parents, students, teachers, support staff, student athletes, and coaches share an expectation that respect and good sportsmanship shall govern all those participating in or attending athletic events.

Student athletes and fans must act appropriately and responsibly at all athletic events.

Consistent with M.I.A.A. policies, it is the policy of the Holyoke Public Schools to prohibit any actions or comments by players or spectators which are intended to bait, anger, embarrass, ridicule, humiliate, or demean others, whether or not the deeds or words are vulgar or racist, and whether or not directed at players, coaches, game officials, or other spectators.

Players who violate this policy may have their eligibility to participate in interscholastic athletics withdrawn.

Spectators who violate this policy may be ejected from an event and/or barred from admission to future games/matches.

Student-athletes who violate this policy will be subject to discipline procedures, including the loss of eligibility to participate in interscholastic athletics.

Parents who violate this policy will be ejected from athletic event(s) and may be barred from admission to future games/matches.

All Holyoke Public School students who wish to participate in interscholastic athletics -and their parents-must read and sign the attached signature form. Thank You.

I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Sportsmanship Policy. I understand that is my responsibility to immediately read and abide by the policy.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Student Signature	Student Name (Print)	Student ID	Date
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Parent Signature	Parent Name (Print)	Sport	Level