



*Expected behaviors for ALL KingCo athletic contests and events*

## **Be Loud | Be Proud | Be Positive**

*Support Positive Fan Behavior & Eliminate The Negative*

Dear Fans:

In a unified effort to promote respect for student-athletes, coaches and officials, and fans we're asking all KingCo League fans to pledge their commitment to build positive spirit in the stands and on the fields of our athletic events.

Fortunately, KingCo has become well known for a tradition of competitive programs and respectful fans and athletes. This is due to the tremendous support of our parents, the attitudes of our athletes and coaches, and the commitment of all staff members in helping to promote these ideals at all interscholastic activities. Sportsmanship does matter and we ask for your support in demonstrating respect for the game and all the participants by refraining from negative cheers, chants or behavior.

Attendance at KingCo contests is a privilege. Athletes and students are expected to behave in a positive manner and use good judgment in cheers and support their home team and not taunt or demean opponents. Students are expected to model appropriate behaviors at home and away athletic contests by using **Positive Fan Sportsmanship**.

*What does that mean?*

- Cheer positively for your athletes, not against our opponents. As a fan you can help our athletes perform at their best by modeling positive behavior and encouraging all the players to be their best. This is their time. This is their place. This is *their* game.
- Good sportsmanship starts with respect ... for yourself, your team, the opponent and the decisions of the officials. Thanks for being a good sport!
- No personal comments – about players, coaches, or officials. Our fans' job is to cheer on our team ... not react to individual players or the officials' calls. Respect the opposing team and your fellow fans.
- Encourage crowd involvement and get others to participate positively. Be a role model.
- React enthusiastically to the cheer squad's lead.
- React appropriately, even when others don't.
- **BE LOUD, BE PROUD, BE POSITIVE!**

**All KingCo League and WIAA Rules and Regulations regarding fan behavior WILL BE strictly enforced.**



### WIAA and KingCo League Rules

*Fans breaking any of these rules can be grounds for our team's disqualification!*

- Artificial noisemakers such as air horns or megaphones are not permitted.
- Confetti, streamers, toilet paper, and/or silly string are not permitted; their use may cause the non-complying school to pay for the additional cost of cleanup.
- Objects such as paper airplanes, Nerf balls, beach balls, coins; glow sticks or other projectiles are not to be brought to contests to be thrown in the stands or onto the playing surface. All objects that can be thrown are prohibited.
- Faces cannot be completely painted. Fans should always use two colors of paint rather than one. Eyes must be visible ("raccoon eyes").
- Signs or banners, other than official school banners, are not permitted.
- Vulgar, obscene, or suggestive yells and gestures are not acceptable and can result in your removal from the event, and possibly removal for the entire season. Your ticket does not entitle you to disrespect or degrade others in any way. Everyone who is a part of high school athletics gives his or her best effort and that commitment to educational athletics should be celebrated.
- Be respectful and supportive of both teams involved in the contest. Use only positive cheers and praise without antagonizing or demeaning opponents or individual players; degrading chants or cheers will not be tolerated.
- Respond positively to and follow directions of the adults supervising the contest.
- Remain off the playing field/surface/floor at all times - before, during (including halftime), and after the contest.
- Students must remain in their section and not intermingle with the opposing fans or pass in front of the other school's stands.

Thank you for your cooperation in advance. We look forward to cheering with you this season!

### KingCo Principals in Support

Bellevue-3A Scott Powers

Bothell-4A Bob Stewart

Eastlake-4A Chris Bede

Inglemoor-4A Vicki Sherwood

Interlake-3A Maria Frieboes-Gee

Issaquah-4A Andrea McCormick

Juanita-3A Gary Moed

Lake Washington-3A Christina Thomas

Liberty-2A Josh Almy

Mercer Island 3A Vicki Puckett

Mount Si-4A John Belcher

Newport-4A Dion Yahoudy

Redmond-4A Jane Todd

Sammamish-2A Tom Duenwald

Skyline-4A Donna Hood

Woodinville-4A Kurt Criscoine