

PARENTS ROLE

Before the Game – know their goals, needs and roles

- Questions – Listen to your son's/daughter's answer
- Why are you playing?
- What is a successful season?
- What are your Goals?
- What is your Role?
- If responses are different than yours – accept the athlete's response
- Release your son/daughter to the game
- Realize that all successes are theirs
- Realize that all failures are theirs.
- All problems are theirs – Give them a chance to solve problems on their own

During the Game – Focus on our team

- **MODEL POISE, CONFIDENCE AND APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR**
 - Only **four** roles you can be during the game – **PICK ONE**
 - **Players** – the individual who wears the uniform and participates in the contest and games
 - **Coaches** – the professionals who organize and direct the team.
 - **Officials** – the professional who wear a striped shirt and administer the contest.
 - **Fans/Parents** – the athletes biggest fans and supporters who come to the contest and cheer
 - In order for our teams to have the greatest opportunity for success these roles must never become confused.

After the Game – be a confidence builder

- Players need - **Time and Space**
- They do not want to talk about the game
- They do not want to talk about their mistakes
- They do not want to talk about their teammates
- They do not want to talk about their coach

Positive after game comment – *“I love watching you play”*

Sportsmanship

Hamilton Heights Middle School is expected by the IHSAA to provide a safe environment that promotes good sportsmanship for officials, coaches, players and visiting fans. At a time when society is expecting increased incidents of physical confrontations and unmanaged anger associated with sports at all levels, Hamilton Heights Middle school wishes to keep our athletes, officials, coaches and fans safe by insisting on proper behavior and promoting our positive reputation for good sportsmanship.

Hamilton Heights Middle School will not condone or permit inappropriate behavior towards players, school staff, the opposing school, or the game officials.

Parents and fans that violate the high standards of sportsmanship that we expect will be removed from the contest or premises and may face temporary or permanent banishment from attendance at Hamilton Heights Middle School athletic events.

Remember, buying a ticket does not give you the right to act inappropriately; it simply gives you the right to attend. We have some very talented teams at Hamilton Heights Middle School and they deserve your positive support. We strive to make good sportsmanship at Hamilton Heights Middle School an expectation where the players play, the coaches coach, the officials officiate, and the fans are positive and model appropriate behavior!



Go Huskies!