

# Semiahmoo Athletic's Spectator Code of Conduct



**ATTENDANCE AT THIS EVENT ENTITLES YOU TO ENJOY AN EXHIBITION OF SKILLS DEVELOPED BY ATHLETES IN AN EDUCATIONAL SETTING.**

**PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL AND ENCOURAGING IN YOUR APPROACH TO ALL ATHLETES, OFFICIALS, COACHES AND FELLOW SPECTATORS.**

**-BC SCHOOL SPORTS SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

Semiahmoo Athletics is committed to ensuring that all athletes can participate in a safe and enjoyable environment that is encouraging to all, enabling athletes to achieve their personal best performances, and promoting overall development of all sports. We have strong values of fair play, integrity, respect, safety, graciousness, and sportsmanship. Spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that supports the values of our program and encourage the development of all athletes on and off the court and field.

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## **1. Communication**

- a. If a spectator has any questions or concerns, please direct their questions or concerns in the following order:
  - i. Head Coach of the team
  - ii. Athletic Director of the School
  - iii. Administration of the School
- b. Please ensure that all communication is in a respectful and collegial manner. Make sure they are directed to the correct avenue.
- c. Do not approach any players or officials during the event. Semiahmoo athletics has a zero-tolerance policy on this matter.

## **2. Respect of athletes, coaches, officials, and other spectators**

- a. Cheer for all athletes in a positive manner, modeling good sportsmanship, and fair play
- b. Show respect to all individuals, treating everyone with courtesy, including but not limited to athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, and other spectators
- c. Present
- d. Promote respect and appreciation for all coaches, officials, and volunteers at any event or practice, and encourage others to do so.
- e. Thank officials after each event, and ensure your athletes do the same. A handshake goes a long way in a promotion of good sportsmanship.
- f. Have realistic expectations for performance outcomes.
- g. Encourage participation by athletes. Promote emotion and physical well-being.
- h. Volunteer your time at an event when help is required.
- i. Be supportive after the game – win or lose. Recognize good effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

## **3. Zero Tolerance Policy**

- a. At Semiahmoo Athletics, we have a zero-tolerance policy when parents/spectators display inappropriate and disruptive behaviour that interferes with other spectators and/or the event. The event will be stopped by game officials. The game officials will identify the violator to the coach for the purpose of removing the spectator from the event. Once removed, the event will resume.