



To: NJSIAA Executive Committee
From: Colleen Maguire, Executive Director
Date: September 14, 2022
RE: NJSIAA Student Ambassador – Sportsmanship Statement Update

Background:

At the September 2021 Executive Committee meeting, the committee approved a new sportsmanship statement that is now read to all participants prior to the start of any NJSIAA event. This new statement was written by prior NJSIAA Student Ambassadors is much simpler and easier to understand. Most importantly, the statement ends with a tag line to “respect the game and respect their opponents” – the ambassadors believe this resonates well with all participants.

Proposal:

At the first meeting of the new class of Student Ambassadors, which was held on Sunday, August 28th, there was a recommendation from the ambassadors to include officials in the statement as a reminder that they too need to be treated with respect. Below is a proposed update (underlined) to the sportsmanship statement which incorporates this recommendation.

Updated statement:

The NJSIAA requires officials to enforce all rules regarding unsportsmanlike conduct by coaches and players. There will be no tolerance for any negative behavior, such as taunting, trash talking and verbal, written, or physical conduct related to race, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or religion. Such behavior will result in being ejected from this event. **All participants must respect the game, respect the officials, and respect their opponents.**

Class of 2024 Student Ambassadors:

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| Trevor Frantantoni, Bloomfield | Clare Pawlowksi, Kent Place | Hudson Skove, Rumson-FH |
| Zoey-Marie Spady, BCIT Westampton | Timothy Walsh, Lenape Valley | Mikayla Blakes, Rutgers Prep |
| Emma Fox, Collingswood | Michael Rizzo, Lyndhurst | Anson Hart, Saint Peter’s |
| Justin Hidalgo, East Side | Noah Flitcraft, Pennsville | Molly Fagan, Summit |
| Chloe Jackson, Franklin | Matilda Ventresca, Pt. Pleasant Beach | Lily Wendorff, Villa Walsh |
| Theresa Strano, Gloucester Co. Inst. | Christina Allen, River Dell | Avery Vacca, West Milford |
| Adrian King, Hackensack | | |