



Sample Topic Outline for Pre-Game Sportsmanship Meeting

(Attendees should include: Participating school's principal/administrator, athletic director, coach, team captain(s) and game officials.)

Welcome to all (by school administrator, athletic director, administrative designee or game official - according to the policy of the school, league or Section).

Operational Items:

- Location of administrators or administrative designees during the game
- Proper conduct during warm-ups
- Team introductions by announcer - conduct of players

To Principals/Administrators

- Duties/responsibilities
- Crowd control

To Coaches

- Thank you for your service to your student-athletes and your school
- Expectations - bench decorum
- Demeanor pre and post game

To Team Captains

- Welcome
- Leadership role
- Reminder...team represents school, families, community, (league, section)
- Expectations - player demeanor on the court and on the bench
- Taunting, trash-talking and any unsportsmanlike conduct are absolutely inappropriate and will not be tolerated

To Officials

- Welcome and thank you
- Expectations - This game will be officiated fairly and demeaning behavior will not be tolerated

Closing Remarks

- Reminder...Only one team will emerge as winner tonight...but everyone involved in this game has an opportunity to act like a winner.

Good luck!