

Fort Frances High School Athletics

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The Fort Frances High School Code of Conduct and the Code of Conduct for Muskie Athletes set clear standards of behavior. The following Code of Conduct for Spectators at Muskie Sporting Events and Guidelines for Parents of Muskie Student Athletes provide corresponding expectations for those who support our Muskie Student Athletes. Fort Frances High School strives to establish an athletic program that is based on the best of sportsmanship and the best athletic performance possible while maintaining first class academic standards. It is the responsibility of the school community to support our athletes and work together to achieve these high standards.

Code of Conduct for Spectators at Muskie Sporting Events

- Be on your best behavior. Do not harass players, coaches or referees.
- Applaud good play by your team and the opposing team.
- Show respect for your team's opponents .
- Hats, coins, paper wads, confetti and other objects are not to be thrown on the playing surface. This undesired action is dangerous to players. Persons guilty of this misbehavior should be immediately removed from the facility and appropriately disciplined. (Admission of spectators will be restricted to those whose behavior is appropriate.)
- No artificial noisemakers are allowed in the gym/arena. Hands and voice only are to be used to cheer on our athletes.
- The use of profanity, objectionable cheers or gestures is strictly forbidden. Taunting slang which resembles profanity or any actions that may be insulting to others must be prohibited. Positive school spirit is, however, a prime objective of Fort Frances High School.
- For hockey games spectators must be made aware that the arena/ice rink is an extension of the school and as such that all school rules apply and will be enforced.
- Remember that young people participate in organized sports for their own fun, not to satisfy adults or members of their peer group.
- Never ridicule or scold a player for making a mistake during the game.
- Condemn and refrain from the use of violence in all forms.
- Respect the referee's decisions.
- Encourage players to play according to the rules.

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Guidelines for Parents of Muskie Student Athletes

- Remember, young people are involved in school sports for their enjoyment.
- Encourage your child always to play by the rules.
- Teach young people that honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Turn defeat into victory by helping young people work toward skill improvement and good sportsmanship. Never ridicule or yell at your child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember that young people learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- Do not publicly question the referee's judgment and never his or her honesty. They do not question your integrity.
- Inappropriate language and/or gestures towards officials, opponents, and/or other spectators are unacceptable. Parents work hard to make their children responsible adults, who respect others. Please show good sportsmanship, not doing so sends mixed messages to your child.
- Recognize the value and importance of coaches and referees. They give of their time and talents to provide recreational activities for young people with relatively small (if any) financial reward.
- Deal with any questions or concerns only through the proper channels, i.e. the Head Coach, Athletic Director and then the School Principal.