



## UHSAA Sportsmanship Initiatives

### 1. T.E.A.M –Up to Promote the Positive

- Schools share best practices to Teach, Enforce, Award and Model Good Sportsmanship.

### 2. “We Will” Sportsmanship Pledge

- Student-Athletes and their parents/legal guardians sign Sportsmanship Pledge .
- Teams, players & coaches participate in the “We Will” Sportsmanship Pledge by creating a “We Will” digital message (DVD, YouTube) for the student body to view.
- Instructions for making a “We Will” DVD on the Sportsmanship page at uhsaa.org.
- Post the “We Will” digital clips on the school website. Create “We Will” posters.
- Prior to basketball games, captains from both teams read the “We Will” pledge.

### 3. Do Rowdy Right!

- Cheer FOR Your Team, NOT against your opponent!
- Do not tolerate cheers that humiliate, embarrass or degrade an individual or team.
- Activities are an extension of school day - appropriate conduct is still required.
- Post a “Code of Conduct” Policy in visible area so spectators know expectations.
- Include UHSAA Raise-the-Bar Sportsmanship Announcements at home games.
- Ejected players and coaches are required to complete online sportsmanship course.

### 4. School Sportsmanship Banner Award Program, “Raise-the-Bar, Earn-a-Star”

- All member schools display their UHSAA School Sportsmanship Banner.
- Complete the required criteria for the School Sportsmanship Award.
- Submit the online application by no later than June 2.
- Yearly recipients receive a STAR to attach to their banner, an award certificate and major points towards the UIAAA Director’s Cup.
- If you did not receive a star for last year, earn your first star this year. When you have earned a total of five stars your school will be honored as a FIVE STAR exemplary sportsmanship school.

### 5. DARE TO LEAD: Statewide Student Leadership Conference (Friday, June 23, 2014)

- The UHSAA & UIAAA will join forces to hold the first statewide student leadership conference
- Principals select one boy and one girl to represent their school at the conference.
- P4 Principles of Leadership: Potential, Power, Passion and Purpose.
- Participate in a Bowl-A-Thon in behalf of Special Olympics Utah.
- Students selected to attend have the opportunity to serve on the Youth Activation Committee.
- Motivational speakers, meaningful activities, break-out sessions and bowl-a-thon.

### 6. UNIFIED SPORTS OPTION: Team-Up with Special Olympics Utah

- Partner up with SOUT to provide schools an interscholastic Unified Sports opportunity.
- In the spring of 2014, UHSAA will offer Unified Sports Soccer and Track & Field.

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