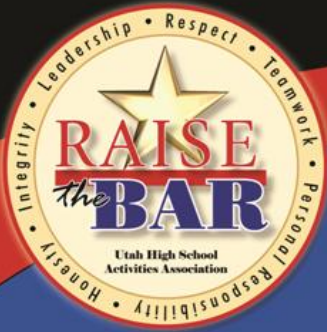


# UTAH HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION



## Raise the Bar *Sportsmanship Matters!*

### 2013-14 Program Updates

#### 1. Ejected Players and Coaches Must Complete Online Course While Serving Suspension

- The UHSAA Handbook, page 53, outlines the NEW POLICIES regarding ejected coaches and players.
- While serving his/her suspension and prior to returning to competition, an ejected player shall complete the free 20-minute online NFHS course, “Sportsmanship” at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com).
- While serving his/her suspension and prior to coaching in his/ her next contest, an ejected coach shall complete the online NFHS course(4-5 hrs, \$20), “Teaching and Modeling Behavior” at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com).
- If a coach or player is ejected during tournament play, they must have the required course completed before the next regularly scheduled game or in the case of the state tournament, within one week of the ejection.
- To provide verification, a certificate can be printed upon completion of an online course or an athletic director can confirm the date of completion through the Coach Search tab at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com).

#### 2. Schools With ZERO EJECTIONS (Players & Coaches) Will Be Recognized

- The new online process for officials to submit ejection reports will allow the UHSAA to more accurately track the number of ejections from any one school and in turn recognize our member schools with ZERO EJECTIONS.

#### 3. Sportsmanship Now a Region Board of Managers Agenda Item

- Because of its importance to the mission of education-based activities, the topic of sportsmanship should be an agenda item at all regularly scheduled Region Board of Managers Meetings.
- Topics might include student/spectator/participant behavior at region games, ejections, proper supervision, strategies for promoting positive sporting behavior, enforcing the UHSAA statewide policy, “Do Rowdy Right.”
- Incidents or issues of poor sportsmanship at region games should be addressed by the Region Board of Managers.

#### 4. DO ROWDY RIGHT!

- UHSAA Statewide Policy: DO ROWDY RIGHT--Cheer FOR Your Team, NOT against your opponent!
- What you permit, you promote. Do not tolerate cheers that are demeaning or degrading.
- Post “Code of Conduct” Sportsmanship Policy in visible spot (template on UHSAA Sportsmanship Page).
- Include UHSAA Raise-the-Bar Sportsmanship Announcements at home games.
- Information is available on the UHSAA Sportsmanship Page, along with game announcements.

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

- All member schools shall display their UHSAA School Sportsmanship Banner in their gymnasium.
- To earn the 2014 STAR, schools must complete the criteria outlined on the Sportsmanship Page.
- By May 30, principals will be asked to submit an online application verifying the criteria completed.
- Recipients receive the 2014 STAR for their school banner, an award certificate and UIAAA Director’s Cup points.
- There will be an additional honor for schools that become a **FIVE STAR program**.

#### 6. DARE2LEAD: Statewide Student Leadership Conference (Friday, June 20, 2014 @ Murray High)

- The UHSAA & UIAAA team-up to host a statewide student leadership conference.
- Each member school is asked to sponsor one boy and one girl (\$25 registration per student).
- Information regarding the conference and selection of the students will be emailed to principals in March.