



## Warwick Valley High School Crew

### WARWICK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY CREW

Few will dispute that sportsmanship should be an integral part of athletics. Our sports programs provide us with a unique opportunity to teach and learn respect for self and respect for others. The responsibility for sportsmanship in a school district is shared by many groups and individuals. Our mission is to promote responsible behavior by athletes, coaches, parents, and fans. They are expected to demonstrate respect for themselves and others and display good sportsmanship at all times. **ALL CONCERNED AGREE:**

1. To live up to the proper ideal of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play.
2. To eliminate all possibilities which tend to destroy the best values of the game.
3. To stress the values derived from playing the game fairly.
4. To show cordial courtesy to visiting teams and officials.
5. To establish a happy relationship between visitors and hosts.
6. To respect the integrity and judgment of the sports officials.
7. To achieve a thorough understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game and the standards of eligibility.
8. To always set a good example for others to follow.
9. To encourage leadership, use of incentive, and good judgment by the players on the team.
10. To recognize that the purpose of athletics is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the individual players.
11. To accept both victory and defeat with pride and compassion, never being boastful or bitter.
12. To remember that an athletic contest is only a game – not a matter of life or death for players, coach, school, official, fan, community, state, or nation.

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_