Raise-the-Bar: Sportsmanship Matters!

# Raise-the-Bar Program Initiatives



Promote the philosophy and mission of education-based activities and the responsibilities that come with participation, whether as a player, coach, official, parent, spectator, or fan.

### 1. Do Rowdy Right!

- Teach & Enforce "Do Rowdy Right." Cheer FOR Your Team, NOT against your opponent
- Do not tolerate cheers that humiliate, embarrass or degrade an individual or team
- Post a "Code of Conduct" Sportsmanship Policy in visible area
- Include UHSAA Raise-the-Bar Sportsmanship Announcements at home games
- Provide proper supervision/enforcement at events
- Sportsmanship is an agenda item at Region Board of Managers meetings
- Reduce the number of coach and player ejections

## 2. School Sportsmanship Banner Award Program, "Raise-the-Bar, Earn-a-Star"

- All member schools shall display their UHSAA School Sportsmanship Banner
- Complete the required criteria for the School Sportsmanship Award
- Submit the online application by deadline requested.
- Recipients receive a STAR for their school banner, an award certificate and Director's Cup points
- School will be honored when they become FIVE STAR programs

#### 3. DARE TO LEAD: Statewide Student Leadership Conference (Thursday, June 20, 2013)

- The UHSAA & UIAAA team-up to host a statewide student leadership conference
- The conference will be held at Murray High School (5440 South State Street)
- Conference information will be emailed to principals in December
- In March schools submit the names of their two delegates (one boy & one girl).
- Includes break-out sessions on leadership and a Bowl-A-Thon to benefit Special Olympics Utah

#### 4. TEAM-Up to Promote the Positive

- Teach, Enforce, Award and Model Good Sportsmanship
- A list of "Best Practices" submitted by our schools will be posted on the Sportsmanship page
- Submit Stories of "Exemplary Sportsmanship" on the Sportsmanship page

#### 5. Service Through TEAM Effort

"Raise-the-Bar, Earn-a-Star!"

• Have one or more or your teams participate in a service project to benefit a worthy cause

# 6. "We Will" Sportsmanship Pledge

- Have players & coaches create a "We Will" digital message (DVD, YouTube) for school to watch
- Post the "We Will" digital clips on the school website. Create "We Will" posters
- Prior to games, invite captains from both teams read the "We Will" pledge

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