

# LACKAWANNA TRAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: SPECTATOR DECORUM AT  
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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<b>904.1 SPECTATOR DECORUM AT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b>, Purpose SC 775</b>	<p>Lackawanna Trail School District has the expectation that the students at school activities and students at athletic activities perform in a manner exemplifying the meaning of sportsmanship. While supporting the school district's expectation of students, parents should model behaviors exemplifying the meaning of sportsmanship.</p> <p>Parents and athletic fans attend school functions to support students involved in activities and students involved in athletics for the joy and excitement gained by attending various school community activities. The Board of School Directors, Administration and Professional Staff wish to encourage citizens of the community, parents, families and fans to become an integral part of school activities and athletic programs.</p>
<b>Delegation of Responsibility</b>	<p>Occasionally, spirits can rise too high, thus creating an undesirable situation which may include poor sportsmanship. The principal, the principal's designee and the athletic director shall be responsible for posting the spectator decorum policy in full view of those parties in public attendance at any school activity.</p>
<b>. Definitions</b>	<p><b>Violation (spectator decorum) -</b> creating an undesirable situation, performing in a manner which does not exemplify the meaning of appropriate sportsmanship, any violation of school policy or the law, at a school activity or school athletic event including appurtenant premises.</p> <p><b>Removed (athletic events) -</b> ejection from the area of play, playing floor, locker areas, other spectator areas, other non-spectator areas, building, and school building appurtenant premises,</p> <p><b>Removed (other school activities) -</b> ejection from the activity on location, other spectator areas, other non-spectators areas, building, and school building appurtenant premises.</p> <p><b>Ejection (authority) -</b> removal shall be effected by the Superintendent, Superintendent's designee, principal, principal's designee or by the athletic director.</p>

<p><b>4. Guidelines</b>  <b>SC 775</b>  <b>P01_123</b></p>	<p><b>Violation of the <u>Spectator Decorum Policy</u></b></p> <p>The following minimum penalties are prescribed for any parent or fan who has been found in violation of the spectator decorum policy at an athletic event or a school sponsored event on the premises. Note: student behavior at athletic events is covered under Policy 123.</p> <p><i>First Violation -</i></p> <p>Any parent/fan who has been removed from an athletic event or any other school sponsored event shall be excluded for at least the next home event for the sport in <u>question</u>, or if other than athletics, from the next home school activity of similar nature/type where the exclusion occurred. Prior to the parent/fan returning to athletic events or to similar school activities following the exclusion, the excluded party shall meet with the building principal to discuss expected future behaviors. Moreover, the principal will provide the offender with a copy of the Policy 904.1 and any amendments.</p> <p><i>Second Violation -</i></p> <p>Any parent/fan who has been removed from an athletic event or any other school sponsored event on a second offense shall lose all privildges associated with attending home athletic events and attending home school activities for <i>at least 140 consecutive calendar days</i>. Prior to the parent/fan returning to athletic events or to school activities following the exclusion. the excluded party shall meet with the building principal to discuss expected future behaviors. Once again, the offender will be given a copy of Policy 904.1 and any amendments.</p> <p><i>Third Violation -</i></p> <p>Any parent/fan who has been removed from <i>an</i> athletic event or any other school sponsored event on an alleged third offense <u>shall lose all privileges to set foot on the school district premises and all privileges associated with attending home athletic events and attending home school activities. To regain the privilege of setting foot on the school district premises or attending school activities of any kind. the alleged perpetrator shall appear before the Lackawanna Trail School District Board of School Directors for a hearin to determine the extent of the loss of privileges, Failure to appear before the Lackawanna Trail School District Board of School Directors shall result in continued loss of all privileges to set foot on the school district premises and the loss of all privileges to attend any and all home school activities,</u></p>
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**NOTE: The alleged perpetrator has a right to an attorney and to bring witnesses before the Board on the alleged perpetrator's behalf. The Lackawanna Trail Board of School Directors shall determine the innocence or guilt of the alleged perpetrator. If the perpetrator is guilty, the Board will determine the extent of the loss of privileges to step foot on the school district premises and the extent of the loss of privileges to attend home school athletic events and other home school activities.**

**Notification of Exclusion and Effecting Exclusion**

**Notification shall be effected by the principal or the principal's designee (must be an administrator of authority) by certified mail or served personally and provided in writing. Exclusion in accordance with the offenses listed above will commence immediately upon receipt of written notice by certified mail or in writing served face to face.**

**Upon notification person(s) in violation of this policy shall be prohibited from setting foot on school district premises without the expressed written consent of the Secretary of the Lackawanna Trail School District (under the direction of the entire Board). Superintendent, Superintendent's designee, principal or *the* principal's designee. Any violation resulting from entering the property of the Lackawanna Trail School District will be considered "defiant trespass" and dealt with via civil authorities.**

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