



### **2025-2026 OFFICIALS APPRECIATION WEEKS**

Fall: October 6-11

Winter: January 12-17

Spring: April 6-11

### **TEAM OR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

- Read the Officials Appreciation Week Public Address Announcement
  - Participate in Officials Appreciation Week online by using the hashtag #ThankYouOfficials and tagging the MPSSAA on social media.
    - Facebook: @Mpssaa
    - Instagram: @mpssaa\_sport
    - X: @MPSSAA\_Org
  - Please also tag the NFHS on any posts:
    - Facebook: @NFHS1920
    - Instagram: @nfhs\_org
    - X: @NFHS\_Org
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### **Additional Optional Activities**

- Greet and escort officials on the day of the game.
- Meet and greet with officials after the game.
- Provide water and/or snacks for the officials.
- Say "Thank You" to an official you see before, during or after a game or contest.
- Post a message on the marquee of your school.
- Bring a sign to a game that says "Thank You" to an official.
- Shake hands after a game or contest and thank an official for their service.
- Decorate facilities in officials' colors - black and white.
- Team PSA

- Individual school and county-wide advertisement and messaging
- Officials' appreciation week banners and signage on the fence, wall, etc., surrounding the contest playing area
- Gift cards/cookies/donuts/other items presented to the crew by both the home and visiting team
- Photos of the officiating crew with both teams and coaches prior to the start of the game (or at the end, depending on timing)
- Read a PSA at the start of the game, thanking the crew for working the contest.
- Have students escort the crew onto the field/court/pitch.
- "Thank You" cards, signed by the team and coaching staff
- Special appreciation signage in the officials' locker room
- Recorded "Thank You" messages from student-athletes and coaches to officials, posted on social media