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Subject: NEW MPSSAA Reporting in Support of Statewide Officiating

The MPSSAA recently released updated sportsmanship plans that focus on three pillars for successful interscholastic management. Those three pillars are centered on creating welcoming environments, respect, and accountability for actions. Each of these pillars has a direct correlation to officials, including how officials are treated and how officials administer contests.

Given this new plan of action, the MPSSAA is asking for sports officials to report any infraction of a card and/or ejection to the MPSSAA office through this <u>MPSSAA Ejections and Infraction Reporting Form</u>.

In addition, the MPSSAA is also asking officials to report on their experience (<u>Sportsmanship</u> <u>Experience</u>) with schools they officials. Officials should report both positive and negative experiences.

With this data, and with your support and help, it is our goal to enhance the overall experience our officials receive at our member schools. Remember, we need your commitment to this initiative to provide quality data to support you, our statewide officials.

On behalf of the MPSSAA thank you again for the service you provide for the students and schools in Maryland. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact <u>ken.kazmarek@maryland.gov</u> or you may also call the MPSSAA at any time at 410-767-0555.