

PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR USE AT DISTRICT/REGION ATHLETIC EVENTS

The role of the PA announcer is to provide essential, factual information in a timely, professional manner, set the tone for good sportsmanship, and represent the teams in a positive manner. This includes announcing each team on an even basis.

Welcomes - Prior to Player Introductions

- #1 The schools participating in this event are members of the South Dakota High School Activities Association which have adopted the rules under which the games are conducted. A strong commitment to excellence, fair play, and sportsmanship are all vital to this **activity's success**. The Activities Association and their lead partner, Sanford Health, their premier partner, First Premier Bank/First Premier Bankcard, their community partner, Farmers Union Insurance, and corporate partner, Billion Automotive, appreciate your recognition of the values being taught at this educational event.
- #2 Good Evening. The South Dakota High School Activities Association and their lead partner, Sanford Health, their premier partner, First Premier Bank/First Premier Bankcard, their community partner, Farmers Union Insurance, and corporate partner, Billion Automotive, welcome you to tonight's game(s). High school sports are a privilege to play and a privilege to watch. A privilege that depends on responsible conduct in school hallways, classrooms and playing fields. A privilege that depends on good sportsmanship. Good Sports Are Winners because they understand their responsibilities on and off the playing surface.
- #3 Welcome to tonight's (District #____/Region #____) Tournament action. This Contest between _____ and _____ are member schools of the South Dakota High School Activities Association. The Association, as well as their lead partner, Sanford Health; their premier partner, First Premier Bank/First Premier Bankcard; their community partner, Farmers Union Insurance; and corporate partner, Billion Automotive; remind you that sportsmanship and the objectives of educational athletics are what set this event apart of other levels of competition. Your cooperation and support of the values promoted by these (District/Region) schools is appreciated.

Host Contest Management Introduced

As per SDHSAA Board Policy (November, 2005), the host game management shall be introduced prior to the start of the contest. Use regular season announcement language.

Player Introduction Procedure

- #1 Cheerleaders – Before introductions of players, the cheerleaders are to be introduced.
- #2 All fifteen players will be introduced.
- #3 The ten reserves will be introduced first followed by the starting five for each team.
NOTE: Please refer to all players other than the starting five as “reserves” or begin the announcement with “And now the players from ___team___ (name all reserves), and the starters are . . .”

After Lineups Are Introduced -- Introduce Officials

Your officials for tonight's game are _____ and _____. These officials are licensed by the South Dakota High School Activities Association. They are hired by (District___/Region___) with the mutual agreement of schools participating in this event. Their experience and integrity qualify them to administrate the rules of the game. An attitude of good sportsmanship should be upheld by all spectators, players and coaches, no matter what their personal feelings or loyalties may be in this contest.

Post Game/Match Protocol

Read the script found on the following page at this time.

Read it again at the start of the third quarter and again at the start of the fourth quarter.

National Anthem Introduction

At this time we ask that you stand, remove your caps, as we pay honor to America with the singing of our National Anthem

POST GAME/MATCH PROTOCOL AT DISTRICT/REGION/STATE BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS AND FOOTBALL PLAY-OFFS

Read the following:

Only team personnel are allowed on the floor immediately following all district, region, and state championship contests in the sports of volleyball, girls' basketball, and boys' basketball, and on the football field following quarterfinal and final contests.

Spectators will be allowed on the floor only after team handshakes for contests with no awards, or following the presentation of individual and team awards.

Failure to keep fans/spectators off the floor or playing field until after the awards have been presented will result in the offending team not receiving public recognition at the tournament site. Individual and team awards will be given to a member of the offending team and the team will not be announced by the public address announcer at the tournament venue.