Spirit of the Game

Indiana Ultimate Foundation & USAU are looking to raise the bar regarding Spirit of the Game (SOTG), particularly at youth events. Therefore, we are adopting the same spirit guidelines used at YCC.

What does this mean for the Indiana HS State Championships and you?

This letter is to help you understand our <u>expectations</u>. Please communicate with your coaches, players, and parents the expectations of SOTG in all aspects of the tournament.

- A. We will use the <u>WFDF spirit</u> scoring sheets to enable each team to rate both themselves and their opponent in each game. Top spirit scores in each division will be recognized and receive spirit trophies.
- B. We are asking each team to assign a <u>Spirit Captain</u>. See the attached Spirit Captain role description.
- C. We are enabling Spirit Timeouts (see description in Spirit Captain role).

We hope this will ensure GREAT SOTG at the Indiana HS State Championships for all participants and spectators. However, we will also have some checks in place should any teams, players, coaches or parents disregard the above.

Certainly try to resolve any issues or concerns through the Spirit Captains and Coaches. <u>Should an issue remain unresolved or you feel it's worthy of reporting, then please do so. The starting point would be a discussion by the TD with the Coaches and Spirit Captains involved.</u> We expect full cooperation with the TD regarding any incident. Your Tournament Director (TD) is Brittney Ballard (317-441-6805).

Please let us know if you have any questions. We are looking forward to a great tournament!

Your 2025 Indiana HS State Championships Team

references:
Coaching Ethics
Player Misconduct

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