

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE (UIL)

The University Scholastic League is the governing body for Texas Athletic Programs. All EPISD programs will adhere to all UIL rules and regulations. The District Executive Committee, which is made up of high school principals from each school in each conference, is the local representative for UIL.

UIL ATHLETIC CODES

The Athletic Code and the Athletic Code for Coaches carry the force of rule. Member school district participant schools and/or covered school district personnel who violate any of the provisions of these codes will be subject to penalty.

THE ATHLETIC CODE

The general Athletic Code means to:

- (1) Play the game in the spirit of fairness and sportsmanship, observing all rules, both in letter and intent.
- (2) Coach and sponsor the teams and individuals without resorting to unethical tactics, trickery which attempts to skirt the rules, or any unfair tactic which detracts from sound educational principles.
- (3) Accept decisions of sports and school officials without protest, and without questioning their honesty or integrity, and extend protection and courtesy to sports officials from participants, school personnel, and spectators remembering that officials are guests.
- (4) Regard opponents as guests, putting clean play and good sportsmanship above victory at any cost. Win without boast and lose without bitterness. Victory is important, but the most important things in sports are striving to excel and the positive feelings it fosters between those who play fair and have no excuse when they lose. The development of recreative aspects and positive human relations should be stressed in all competition.
- (5) Remember that conduct that berates, intimidates, or threatens competitors, based on gender or ethnic origin, has no place in interscholastic activities.
- (6) Provide information or evidence as soon as possible regarding eligibility of any contestant or school to the local administration, then to the proper district executive committee. To withhold information is considered dishonorable and contrary to good sportsmanship. Schools guilty of violating this section may be subject to penalty as described in Sections 27 and 29, including disqualification from district honors in the germane activity. Covered school district personnel guilty of violating this section may be subject to the range of penalties as described in Sections 27 and 29.
- (7) Not recruit or entice any student to attend and participate at your school. Any inquiries from students outside your school district or from another high school in a multiple-high school district should be directed to the school superintendent or high school principal.