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Dear Arlington and Wappingers School Communities,

As the two largest school districts in Dutchess County, who are also neighbors, we share a responsibility to live and model our mission statements in all that we do. As our athletic programs have become more competitive, we want to remind our supporters that we are more alike than different and share the following beliefs:

We are proud of our athletes, school communities, and friendly rivalry.

We value sportsmanship, respect, and safety.

We commit to enhancing our shared community by:
Scheduling inter-visitations for our student athletes
Celebrating sportsmanship at annual dinners
Communicating our expectations to our student bodies
Facilitating collaboration between our faculties
Committing to shared community service activities

Throughout our interactions in person and through social media, we challenge you to support our commitment to community and sportsmanship. In a world where division is all too common, be the difference!

We invite you to visit our webpages, which highlight sportsmanship expectations: <u>Arlington Sportsmanship Message</u> and <u>Wappingers Athletics</u>.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jonathan Brown Deputy Superintendent Arlington Central School District

The Arlington Central School District mission is to empower all students to be self-directed, lifelong learners, who willingly contribute to their community, and lead passionate, purposeful lives. Dr. Dwight Bonk Deputy Superintendent Wappingers Central School District

The mission of the Wappingers Central School District is to empower all of our students with the competencies and confidence to challenge themselves, to pursue their passions, and to realize their potential while growing as responsible members of their community.