## MONTEREY TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

## "Home of the MUSTANGS"

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## MONTEREY TRAIL FAN CONDUCT

Greetings, Mustang Faithful! Great to see you here supporting Monterey Trail Athletics. Our Athletes have been working hard on the field, in the classroom and in the community to make you proud.

Be Loud and Proud and most importantly **positive** while enjoying Monterey Trail Athletic events. Your positive **will power and faith** is what our athletes need most. If everybody on the home side can keep this focus through the ups and downs of the competition, you can and will make a difference. You are the 12<sup>th</sup> man in Football, 7<sup>th</sup> man in Volleyball, 6<sup>th</sup> man in Basketball, etc.

High School Athletics is based through education, not entertainment. We do not have free agency, holdouts or trades – we have GPA's and conduct standards. Our ticket prices are reasonable and the money generated through the gate goes directly back into supporting the student-athletes and the basic necessities it takes to put on high school sporting events.

The coaches are paid a stipend which when calculated by the number of hours put in would equal about a nickel an hour. They bleed Green, Gold & Black. They are away from their own families and sacrifice many hours in the name of Monterey Trail Athletics.

The referees, umpires and officials also are paid modestly for their time and there is a shortage to even cover the games in many cases. They are trying their best and we must always remember without them there would be no games for our student-athletes to play in.

This Monterey Trail Outlook & Philosophy of fan conduct and support needs to be upheld at all times. After all we expect our players & coaches to represent us with proper sportsmanship and ethics on the field, so we must hold ourselves to a higher standard in the stands as well.

Think of it as a parent team, we need to trust our teammates when we get off track with our emotions. Listen to each other in tough emotional times to stay POSITIVE! For most of us, this just serves as reinforcement to what we are already doing, but we all have our moments and we will all need each other's help at some point. That is what a team is all about.

Root for Monterey Trail through positive statements. Make positive signs. Create cheers, sayings. Do the wave. Spin it when Monterey Trail makes a mistake – Make an encouraging remark to pick us up, do not further push us down with obvious negative comments.

Remember – We represent Monterey Trail. Our POSITIVE sportsmanship needs to be on display home & away as well as in the community. Our student-athletes deserve it.

Enjoy the Game – Go Mustangs!