

## Action D – Athlete/Spectator Ejection

Issue- If an athlete is ejected from a game that he is watching, should there be consequences for the next game he is suppose to play? For example, a football player is ejected from a volleyball game, what should the consequences be, if any?

Background Information –

BY-law 302.3 **PLAYER AND COACH EJECTIONS** (Revised May 12, 2004)

A. Any athlete or coach, as a participant or spectator of a contest, who is ejected for a flagrant foul, dangerous or unsportsmanlike conduct, or any athlete who leaves the confines of the bench or team area during a fight that may break out or has broken out, shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the contest and any subsequent JV and Varsity contests. The athlete or coach will also be suspended at all levels of competition for the team's next contest. The suspension of a coach shall include all levels of competition for that day and all levels of competition for the team's next contest.

Discussion – Should language be added to address the athlete who is ejected as a spectator? Should there be consequences for an ejection of any spectator?

Recommendation – Language should be added to address students/athletes who are spectators at contests. They are role models and the expectations of their behavior should be consistent, whether playing the game or watching a game. If a student/athlete is ejected as a spectator, he/she should sit out the following contest.