

Host a Fan Pledge Day

Make your team's next home game a Fan Pledge Day and use this Pledge Sheet to engage your community! Refer to the Overtime Card in the Card Series.

On the back of this page are Fan Pledge Sheets. Make copies as needed and cut along the dotted lines.

Before the game starts, have your players pass out Pledge Cards to the fans. Your players should explain to fans that they should each sign two copies – the Signer's Copy for them to keep and the Team Copy for the players to collect at the end of the game. At halftime, read the Fan Pledge Day Announcer Script below. After the game, have your players collect signed pledges from the fans and thank them for their commitment.

Create a CBIM board where all pledges collected throughout the season are publicly posted, such as in the gym or school hallway.

Your athletes can ask their friends and family to sign this pledge as well.

Fan Pledge Day Announcer Script

We suggest the sample script below be read before the game or at halftime.

The *(insert home school and/or home team name here)* welcomes the *(opposing team name)* and all the fans to today's game. This game is dedicated to all the extraordinary coaches of *(home school name)* helping their athletes not only become better players, but live healthier lives as well through their commitment to the Coaching Boys into Men program.

Coaching Boys into Men is a violence prevention program designed to inspire coaches to teach their athletes about the importance of respect for themselves, others, and, particularly, for women and girls.

Unfortunately, each day millions of people are victims of domestic and family violence and abuse. We can all do something to help end this epidemic.

Please refer to the Coaching Boys into Men Pledge that was passed around and join me in reciting it.

I commit to take a stand against relationship abuse and I believe that violence is neither a solution nor a sign of strength. By taking this pledge, I publicly denounce violence against women and girls, and I understand that by treating everyone with respect, I am a role model to others. A world of respect starts today and starts with me.

Let's give a round of applause to our coaches and athletes for their commitment to respect and non-violence!

(pause for applause)

Now, enjoy the game!

See back for Fan Pledge Sheet.



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