



Building Character  
Through Soccer

## SPORTSMANSHIP RATING SYSTEM

As of the fall of 2001 LIJSL decided to change the format of the Sportsmanship Award. The system of rating the behavior of players, parents and coaches during a game and earning the sportsmanship award based on the number of points remain unchanged. **As in the past, one Sportsmanship Award and patches are awarded to each team in a division based on the highest number of points received in a season. However, three additional awards (Gold, Silver and Bronze Chevron's), are now being bestowed on teams based upon a required number of sportsmanship points.**

As Listed Below:

|        | 8 Game Season | 9 Game Season | 10 Game Season |
|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Gold   | 355-360       | 400-405       | 445-450        |
| Silver | 345-354       | 390-399       | 435-444        |
| Bronze | 335-344       | 380-389       | 425-434        |

For Example:

In a nine game season the maximum amount of sportsmanship points that can be awarded is 405 points (9 X 45). As in the past, the team with the highest point total in the division will be presented the Sportsmanship Award.

Bronze Chevron:



Silver Chevron:



Gold Chevron:



Like the Sportsmanship Patch, these Chevron's can be proudly displayed on the player's jersey - left sleeve. Any team winning the Sportsmanship Award should wear it with pride for its exemplary accomplishment. But a team that falls short in sportsmanship points should not feel that they have "lost". Sportsmanship is not about "winning" or "losing", but about playing soccer in a sportsman-like manner. Therefore it is hoped that this new format will encourage teams to further promote sportsmanship and fair play.

Good Luck & Fair Play

the Sportsmanship Committee.