AS A COACH, YOU TEACH MORE THAN A SPORT.

How can you help young athletes show respect for their peers?
Teach your athletes that derogatory jokes may seem harmless, but they maintain environments that support disrespect and, in some cases, violence. These comments can shape long-term attitudes that may lead members of your team to think it’s acceptable to hurt others.

Help the next generation foster healthy attitudes:

• Set clear expectations for your players. For example, have a code of conduct that outlines consequences for catcalling or players using gender or sexual orientation as an insult.

• Address inappropriate behaviors and turn them into teachable moments.

• Encourage your team members to recognize and confront hurtful behavior, even if it comes from teammates.

RESOURCES
Coaching Boys Into Men: www.coachescorner.org
The #TeachEarly Playbook: www.teachearly.org

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