

2022 AGM Respect Campaign Report

Based on the results shared below, the sportsmanship data has remained stable at the league-level. There has been some fluctuation at the club-level. The stability and general level of scores are encouraging. As with all things, there is always room for improvement ... so keep up the work.

Across the fall season we had several respect campaign investigations that were worked through. The process for this process is shared below. In general, the clubs involved were responsive and cooperative and shared the intent to make adjustments to further bolster their support of the campaign.

Each club's leadership is urged to continue to emphasize the importance of mutual respect and sportsmanship across our clubs and within our teams. I am available to assist clubs with Respect Campaign guidance and education. I can be reached by email at brucelane4gvsa@gmail.com or by phone/text at 616.510.0774.

In the coming weeks we will be updating the league website. The league website is the first stop for information about the campaign but more information may be available to clubs. Simply reach out to me directly.

Updated Respect Campaign banners are being provided to each club. The intent of the banners is for them to be displayed prominently at club events, parks, facilities ... wherever a reminder of the importance of overall respect might be impactful. The club banners are available at the end of the AGM meeting or through special coordination.

The respect campaign program process will continue into the 2022/23 competition season without significant changes. GVSA continues to work closely with GVSOA to strengthen the reporting of scores by referees. Effort is being applied to support more consistent, timely, and complete reporting. As these efforts yield improvements, the information available to the league and the club will further strengthen the overall program.

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