

Robbinsville Basketball Association

COACH'S CONDUCT PLEDGE

As a coach, I understand that the main reason children participate in recreational sports programs is to have fun. Our goal is to teach children and youth the fundamentals of the game, good sportsmanship and respect for all involved. It is up to me, as a coach, to set a good example for the players, their parents, the spectators and the officials. With this in mind, I agree to the following guidelines:

- I will remember that the children are participating in the RBA to have fun.
The game is for the children, not the coaches.
- I will be a positive role model for my team. I will show respect and courtesy to the players, coaches, officials and spectators at all games, practices or any other event sponsored by the RBA.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship for all players by teaching them how to play a fair game by the rules and how to handle competition, winning and losing.
- As a Coach, I am a representative of the RBA. As such, I will take accountability and responsibility for my behavior, my coach/assistant coach's, my players' behavior and team parents during the games and practices.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during the games. I will remain flexible, realizing that each referee is performing to the best of his/her ability and yet, questionable calls will arise during games. I will never engage in a confrontation with an official during of the game.
- I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with an official, coach, player or parents. This type of behavior includes but is not limited to: foul language, loud and/or abusive language, outbursts of anger, inappropriate gestures, constant complaining or questioning of calls, refusing to shake hands.
- As a representative of the RBA, I am expected to follow all league rules (handed out at the beginning of the season) during the course of the game, which are in place to ensure fair play.
- I will remember that this is a recreation basketball league. Winning and losing are secondary to the players learning the game and having fun.

By signing this statement, I agree to abide by the above guidelines. Should I fail to do so, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include but not limited to:

- Verbal warning by official and/or RBA board member
- Written warning from the RBA Board
- Game forfeit
- RBA Coaching privileges suspended

I understand what is expected and will comply with those expectations:

Coach: _____
(Print name) *(Signature)*

Date: _____