



Fort Saskatchewan Youth Basketball

Please note that all players/parents/coaches need to abide by the rules as set out by FSYB

Players Will:

- **Play by the rules and in the spirit of the game.**
- Have a good attitude towards my own teammates, my opponents, my coach and the officials. Respect will be shown at all times during practices and games.
- Remember that winning isn't everything – that having fun, improving skills, making friends and doing my best are MORE important.
- Acknowledge all good plays/performances – those of my team and of my opponents.
- Remember that coaches, and officials are there to learn just like I am here to learn. We will all help each other.
- **I will practice and play with the correct equipment including indoor shoes, jersey and shorts.**

Parents Will:

- Remember playing sports is for my child's enjoyment, growth, and experience, NOT MINE.
- Remember that this is a developmental program where everyone is learning. This includes coaches, players, and officials. I will not question any decisions by any of these parties with hostility, violence or aggression.
- Always encourage my child to have fun, play by the rules and resolve conflicts without resorting to demeaning comments.
- Remember that my child's team does not have to Win to have a good experience.
- Make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- **Never ridicule or yell at my child** for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- **Remember that children learn best by example.** I will applaud good player's performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
- Not force my child to participate in sports.
- **Respect all the facilities by supervising all of my children that attend the game that I am watching. I will not let any of my children run in the hallways at any school, and not wear street shoes in the gymnasium.**
- I will respect and appreciate the program by being respectful to volunteer coaches, and helping keep the facilities clean so we don't lose the opportunity to rent the gym space.

Coaches Will:

- Ensure that all athletes get fair playing time, instruction and support.
- **Teach my athletes to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials, teammates, and opponents.**
- **Not ridicule or yell at my athletes** for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will remember that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- Make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the athletes' age and abilities.
- **Remember that children need a coach they can respect.** I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
- Obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.
- Work in partnership and communicate well with parents and players.
- **I will treat other Coaches, players and referees with respect** and yelling at participants will not be condoned.
- **I will not wear my street shoes in the gymnasium, nor bring food, coffee or other drinks** (except water) into the gym.
- **Provide FSYB with an appropriate Police record check every season that I coach.**

Failure to respect these guidelines will lead to discipline by coaches and FSYB board members. Your participation in the program may be asked to be terminated for the season.