

## TEAM GOALS, EXPECTATIONS, GUIDELINES, ETC.

The goal of the team is to develop player skills, to be competitive, and to have some fun at the same time. The only way to make this happen is with hard work. At the same time we must keep in mind that these players are only 11 years old, I must try to keep it fun so that the players remain "interested" about the game of basketball.

My goal is to assist these players with becoming better basketball players, I can guarantee that I can make that happen, but I can only make this happen if I have the full cooperation of the parents.

I have some guidelines that I would like the parents to follow:

1. Parents should never shout instructions to their daughters during a game, scrimmage, or practice. If a player is listening to their parents in the stands, then they are not paying attention to the game and/or the coach. \*If this becomes a concern, the player will be pulled out of the game and I will speak to the parent afterwards.
2. No shouting of negative comments during a game or scrimmage toward the referees.
3. Parents should follow the guidelines in the "Parents Code of Ethics."
4. Parents may attend practices, but should stay in the background. I may need assistance, but I will ask when I do. Do not shout out instructions to your daughter.
5. The coach will not answer the question, "Why is my daughter not getting playing time." I will not have that conversation with a parent!

\*Playing time is not guaranteed at this level as it is in the Recreational Leagues.

**To be fair I will discuss with the players (with a parent present) what they need to work on to get additional playing time, and track the players progress.**

- Players earn playing time by showing up to practice, working hard at practice, paying attention and listening to the coaches, learning the plays, and by how hard they work on basketball when they are at home (away from team practices).
- A) I keep attendance for all practices, games and scrimmages.
  - B) The coaches will make notes on how hard the players are working during practices.
  - C) I will be strict when it comes to players not paying attention.
  - D) I will be passing out "homework" sheets to players, these assignments are to no way interfere with the players school work. \* Parents are encouraged to assist.

### What to expect:

The team will average no less than 3 practices per week. The team will be scrimmaging as much as possible. We will also be going on several overnight tournaments, all the way up through the AAU regionals in March, April, and early May.

I will pass out a new schedule once per week showing any additions or changes.

\*Expect to be busy up until the AAU / YBOA State tournaments towards the first week in May.

Win or Lose, at the end of this season the goal is for all of us to feel confident about the fact that the players worked hard to become better basketball players, and had fun in the process.

- Let me know if you have any conflicts or concerns. I need to know as early as possible.

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Parents Sign and return a copy to the coach.

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Date