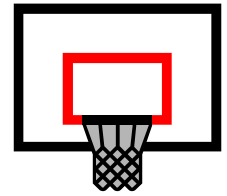




Upper Saddle River Basketball Association



CODE OF CONDUCT

(Required for all players grades 4 - 12)

The Board members of the USR Basketball Association would like present the following code of conduct. We are establishing a formal code of conduct to ensure that our Coaches, Players, Board Members and Parents understand what the goals, expectations and penalties are in our pursuit of playing and enjoying the game of basketball.

Objectives of the USR Basketball Association

1. Promote the enjoyment of the sport of basketball by providing every child who attends practice and is physically capable with the opportunity to learn the game of basketball and play for their team.
2. Promote the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, discipline, physical fitness and leadership to the children of Upper Saddle River through the game of basketball by providing them with a positive environment in which they will learn these values together with the fundamentals of the sport, enabling them to increase their enjoyment of the game.
3. Try to build the self-esteem of our players by teaching them the fundamentals of sport and the positive values provided by sport that will enable them to grow as a participant and a person.

Expectations of Behavior

1. I will treat the officials; each player, coach, and parent of this association, as well as each player, coach and parent of our opposition; with respect and dignity.
2. I will uphold the authority of officials and coaches working with my child. I will assist them when possible and use good judgment if I disagree with them.
3. I will become familiar with the objectives of this program.
4. I will not engage in activities during youth basketball events which would promote poor values to our youth.
5. I will help my child develop good sportsmanship and a desire to strive for success.

Penalties for Infractions

1. If a player or a coach is ejected from a game, the ejected individual will serve an additional one game suspension of the following game. If an individual receives a second ejection they will be suspended for an additional two games. If an individual receives a third ejection they will be asked to leave the program.
2. If a player or a coach receives an unsportsmanlike penalty or if the coaching staff observes an unsportsmanlike act that is not called by the official or in practice, the individual will be required to sit for the next sequential quarter of a game. If an individual receives a second unsportsmanlike penalty they will be suspended for the next game. If an individual received a third unsportsmanlike penalty they will be asked to leave the program.
3. If a parent displays inappropriate behavior towards a coach or board member at a game or practice the individual will be removed from the gym and the Police will be notified if necessary. If a parent displays inappropriate behavior a second time they will be restricted from attending future games and their child will receive a two game suspension.

If a member of the association has an issue with the way a coach is treating a child or a team as a whole, they are encouraged to formally approach a board member to voice his / her concern. The best format would be in a letter or in an e-mail to the board. The coaches' selection committee will review the incident and report to the other members of the board their findings and the board will take the appropriate action. The parent will be formally notified of the board's actions.

If a parent has an issue with court matters such as playing time and or position played, it is recommended that the parent approach the Head Coach in an atmosphere that will allow a productive discussion. Please do not approach a coach directly after a game or practice and please do not approach a coach while children are present to discuss these issues. The best approach would be to make a call to the head coach and arrange a time where these discussions would be appropriate.

While this is not intended to be an inclusive document we hope it sets the groundwork for how we expect every member of our organization to represent themselves.

In order for your child to participate in the Upper Saddle River Basketball program we require both the parent and the child to sign the attached acknowledgement statement.

CODE OF CONDUCT ACCEPTANCE DOCUMENT

My child and I have read and discussed the attached code of conduct document and we pledge to abide by this document in the joyful pursuit of our sport. We also understand that our child will not be able to participate in this program until a signed copy of this document is received by the association.

Player's Name (Please Print)

Parent Signature

Player

The Board members of the USR Basketball Association would like to thank you for reviewing this code of conduct and we wish you all a fun and successful season.

Thank You