



## City of Renton Parks & Recreation Youth Basketball 2023-24 | Parent/Player Code of Conduct

### SPORTSMANSHIP

Good sportsmanship is expected from the players, parents, and coaches. Children learn best by example. The following League Code of Conduct outlines parent, player, and coach behavior. Those parents/players unable to follow this Code may be requested to leave the game site or be excused from participating in the City's youth basketball program.

### LEAGUE RULE

Coaches, parents, and players are prohibited from communicating (verbally or nonverbally) in reference to the "officials' judgment" – for example, calls or non-calls. Coaches and players may ask for a rule clarification from an official only during pregame or halftime. Infractions of this rule will result in a technical foul and possible suspension, or expulsion determined by the Recreation staff.

### PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT (as a player, before, during, and after the game...)

- I will be respectful, positive, and supportive of all players, coaches, parents, and league officials/staff.
- I will play for the fun of it, not just to please my parents or coaches. I will remember that the goal of the game is to have fun, improve my skills, and feel good about participating in youth sports.
- I will concentrate on playing basketball with my best efforts in a safe, fair, and responsible manner. I will not intentionally harm or endanger another teammate or opponent. I understand that failure to do so may result in a suspension or dismissal from the program.
- I am responsible for my conduct and expected to be respectful and use appropriate language when communicating with coaches, participants, officials, and spectators.
- I will attend all practices and games unless I am sick or unusual circumstances keep me away.
- I understand that receiving disciplinary action from an official, school district staff, or recreation coordinator during the season may result in dismissal from playing indefinitely.

### PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT (as a parent/guardian, before, during, and after the game...)

- I will treat all participants with respect by being always positive and constructive to players and coaches.
- I will not use abusive or profane language or gestures and always control my anger.
- I will treat all referees with respect while understanding that basketball rules require quick judgment. Therefore, I will not openly criticize the referees or participants at any time before, during, or after the game.
- I will always cheer positively, providing encouragement for both teams.
- I will support my child's commitment to the team by assuring his/her attendance at practices and games in a timely manner. I will make every effort to communicate with the coaching staff should my child be unable to attend.
- I will emphasize effort and skill development over winning.
- I will not use tobacco products or consume alcoholic beverages before, during, or after any practices or games on school district property or the recreation centers my child is playing at.
- I understand that receiving disciplinary action from an official, site supervisor, facility staff, or recreation coordinator during the season may result in dismissal from the program/facility indefinitely.