



## SYBC Coaches Code of Conduct

The primary goal of coaches should be the development of children to be better citizens. The participants must be taught sportsmanship and fair play, and these teachings should always govern their behavior while at practice and at games. Coaches shall be responsible for the conduct of all participants, members of the coaching staff and spectators. This includes the time periods before, during, and after practices, league games and other program events. Improper conduct or violation of the Mission, Philosophy or Coaching Ethics and Conduct of the Suburban York Basketball Club may result in penalties, expulsion, or suspension from the program as described below.

All participants have the right to:

- Participate in the sport of their choice and abilities.
- Have qualified coaches that emphasize skill development, fair play, teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, responsibility, and fun.
- Participate in a fun, safe and healthy environment.
- Have every coach prepared and ready for practices and games.
- Have an equal opportunity to play and strive for success regardless of talent level.
- Be treated with respect and dignity.

As a volunteer coach (head or assistant), I agree with the coaching requirements and expectations set forth by the Suburban York Basketball Club and its Board of Directors.

- I will successfully complete a [PA Child Abuse Clearance](#) and [PA Criminal History](#) background check and file them with the Suburban York Basketball Club Board
- I will complete the [Arrest/Conviction Report and Certification Form](#) as part of my clearance to volunteer and coach.
- I will immediately (within 72 hours) inform the Suburban York Basketball Club Board, in writing, of any negative issue which arises and would be reflected on a current background screening including, but not limited to being arrested, receiving drug related ticket, domestic and or sexual abuse involvement, etc.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will treat each athlete, opposing coach, official, parent and opponents' fans with respect and dignity and will be a role model for the players by displaying good sportsmanship, appropriate conflict resolution and effective communication.
- I will remember that I am a Youth Sports coach, and that the game is for children and not for adults.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for all my players.

- I will do my best to allow equal playing time
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will use coaching techniques appropriate for each of the skills that I teach.
- I will obtain all equipment and coach information at the mandatory coaches meeting held at the beginning of the season and return all equipment at the end of the season.
- I will hold a preseason parent meeting to explain league and team specific expectations and philosophy.

Consequences for violating any of the above: The above violations of the Coaches Code of Conduct will be reviewed by a majority of the Board within one week of the incident to determine any and all consequences, ***except for events where a coach (head or assistant) receives a technical foul or becomes ejected from a game.*** These specific events will be handled in the following manner.

#### **Technical Foul(s):**

- Coach (head or assistant), if a technical foul for any behavioral reason is given, a league fine of \$10 will be charged and paid by the offending coach.
- Coach (head or assistant), if a second technical foul for any behavioral reason is given at any time during the season, a league fine of \$10 will be charged and paid by the offending coach, he or she will be suspended from the next two league games, including a week suspension from practice
- Coach (head or assistant), if a third technical foul for any behavioral reason is given at any time during the season, he or she will be dismissed from their volunteer coaching position, and will be ineligible for any future coaching opportunities within the Suburban York Basketball Club Program

#### **Game Ejection(s):**

- Coach (head or assistant), If ejected from a game, he or she will be suspended from the next two league games, including a week suspension from practice
- Coach (head or assistant), If ejected from a second game for any reason, he or she will be relieved of their volunteer coaching position immediately, and will be ineligible for any future coaching opportunities within the Suburban York Basketball Club Program

By signing this code of conduct form, I commit to upholding the values and integrity of the Suburban York Basketball Club program and accept the responsibility and consequences, as a coach (head or assistant), set forth in this Coaches Code of Conduct.

Coach Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Check All that Apply:**

Rink Boys\_\_\_\_ Rink Girls\_\_\_\_ Junior Boys\_\_\_\_ Junior Girls\_\_\_\_ Senior Boys\_\_\_\_ Senior Girls\_\_\_\_

Head Coach\_\_\_\_

Assist Coach\_\_\_\_