

# **THE COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT**

Coaches shall remain unconditionally supportive of the TBA's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. Likewise, coaches shall remain sensitive to the physical and emotional well being of the players on his/her team. In order to adhere to these doctrines the coaches agree as follows:

- Know the rules and abide by them.
  - Instruct team members in the rules and coach his/her team in such a way as to motivate each player to compete according to the rules at all times.
  - Respect the game officials and refrain from questioning their decisions in a disrespectful or abusive manner. Ensure that players, spectators/fans do not shoot at the baskets during timeouts or intermissions.
  - Ensure that all building rules and regulations are followed by the players and spectators.
  - Ensure that fans of his/her team conduct themselves with sportsmanship and maturity at all times while in attendance at game sites; assist the game officials in maintaining control of spectators during the games.
  - Respect the coaches and players of the opposing team both during the play of the game and at its conclusion, win or lose.
  - Teach each player, especially through personal example, to be humble and generous in victory and proud and courteous in defeat.
  - Maintain control of his/her emotions and avoid actions, language, and/or gestures that may be interpreted as hostile and humiliating.
  - Instruct team support personnel (e.g., assistant coaches, scorekeepers, and timekeepers) in their responsibilities in accordance with established rules and procedures.
  - Realize, accept, and practice the principal that a team's reputation is built not only on its playing ability, but also on its sportsmanship, courtesy, and manner.
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