



AGTBA
Andover Girls Traveling Basketball Association



Parent Code of Conduct

Andover Parent Role:

Help your child understand the importance of not only improving their individual basketball skills, but also the greater need of helping the team. Encourage them to work hard. Celebrate their successes with them.

Andover Parent Responsibilities and Code of Conduct:

- Emphasize to my daughter that good athletes strive to also be good students.
- Make sure your daughter gets to practices and games on time. If she is going to miss a practice or game, notify your Coach as soon as possible.
- Work with your child on their individual basketball skills whenever possible.
- Let your coach know if your daughter has an injury, a health issue, a school issue or anything else that may impact her ability to participate in practice and/or games. All such discussions will be handled with sensitivity and will remain confidential.
- Be an informed and involved parent. Complete the required volunteer hours for each player in the program.
- Attend monthly Association meetings if you can.
- Set a good example for your daughter by encouraging her as well as other players on the team.
- Control your emotions and actions during games and practices. Do not say disrespectful or negative words to: your daughter and her teammates, coaches, referees, or opposing players and parents.
- Remember that it is the coach's job to discuss game situations (or bad calls!) with the referees.
- Emphasize that winning is important but that playing your best is more important.
- Be respectful of the coaches and their decisions. If there are conflicts with the coach, attempt to discuss the situation using these guidelines. Carefully choose the time and place. Right before, during or immediately after the game is not a good time. Discussing a delicate or frustrating situation in front of others is usually not a good idea. Choose a time when you are not angry or emotional and a place where others cannot overhear your conversation (especially your child, unless they need to be a part of the conversation). Conflicts should be brought to the coach first and then to the board if an acceptable resolution is not the end result.
- Thank your coaches! Coaching is a difficult and time-consuming job.