



Coach's Code of Conduct

The coach must be aware that he can be either a positive or a negative influence upon the development of the athlete. In all of his/her personal contacts with athletes, officials, parents, the media, and the public, the coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical, moral and spiritual conduct. In keeping with the goal, all Ignite coaches should observe the following guidelines:

- I will conduct myself, at all times, in a manner that represents and upholds the values of Ignite Sports, Inc.
- I will enforce the values of Ignite Sports, Inc. with players and parents.
- I will lead at least 3 monthly devotions/studies, including prayer, with my players during practice.
- I will ensure that my player interaction is above reproach and I am never alone with a player where we cannot be observed by others.
- I will not endanger the health, safety or well-being of any other coach, parent, player, official or fan.
- I will not use profanity or vulgar language, inappropriate jokes or sarcasm, or inappropriate innuendos.
- I will not humiliate, degrade or threaten any other coach, parent, player, official or fan.
- I will treat any coach, player, parent, official, and any other person with respect regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or ability.
- I will never place the value of winning above the value for instilling the highest desirable ideals of character.
- I will see my athletes as the players they can become and not just as the players they currently are.
- I will measure success by how much I develop an athlete's basketball skills/ability and their character.
- I will respect and support the game officials. I will not indulge in conduct which will incite the players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of the officials or players is unethical.
- I will respect our opponents, display gracious behavior during competition, and require our players to conduct themselves in similar fashion. I will avoid arguing with opposing coaches, player(s), referee(s) or spectators before, during or after a game. Before and after the contest, rival coaches should meet and exchange friendly greetings to set the correct tone for the event.
- I will actively use my influence to enhance sportsmanship and Christ-like behavior by players and spectators.
- I will not engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct and will not tolerate such behavior from my players or spectators.
- I will commit to attend all practices, games and meetings unless an exception is given by Ignite Sports, Inc.
- I will not use tobacco products or alcohol while in any Ignite Sports, Inc. facilities or while participating in any Ignite Sports, Inc. activities or trips.
- I will adhere to the "Three Person Rule" at all times and ensure I am never alone with one player. There will always be at least two adults or two or more youths present.
- I will not use any illegal substances at any time.
- I will arrive at trainings, practices and games on-time, and be prepared to do my job.

I have read and understand the above document and will follow all expectations. While not all-inclusive I understand that failure to adhere could result in separation from the club.

Name (please print) _____

Signature _____

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16