



Appleton West Youth Basketball Association, LTD. CODE OF CONDUCT

Appleton West Youth Basketball Association, Ltd. (“AWYBA”) has been established for administering a youth basketball association for 2nd – 8th grade students, attending schools within the Appleton West High School District.

Each participant must abide by this Code of Conduct and the participant, along with his/her parent(s)/legal guardian, understand that a participant must refrain from any conduct at any time that would reflect unfavorably upon himself/herself or AWYBA. Conduct which would reflect unfavorably on a participant or AWYBA includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- 1) Profanity or obscene gestures
- 2) Unsportsmanlike conduct
- 3) Insubordination while involved in an AWYBA activity
- 4) Illegal or inappropriate behavior
- 5) Suspension or expulsion from school

Code of Conduct for Players

- I will be a good sport to players, coaches, officials, opponents, and parents at every game, practice, and team gathering, no matter win or lose.
- I will accept defeat graciously and will congratulate the opposing team.
- I will learn the value of commitment by participating in as many practices and games as I can.
- I will encourage my teammates and praise good efforts.
- I will be honest, fair, and respectful to others at all times.
- I will aim to learn all I can from basketball.
- I will arrive at practice on time and be ready to dedicate my attention to my coaches.
- I will notify my coach immediately of any school suspensions and disciplinary actions.

Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians

- I will put the emotional and physical well-being of youth participants ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will respect players, coaches, officials, spectators, and families at all times.
- I will respect the decisions of officials or coaches.
- I will not engage in any violence or verbal threats or use any profanity.
- I will not yell advice to my child during a game.
- I will model good sportsmanship for all youth participants.
- I will not belittle or ridicule anyone involved in a youth sporting event—in public, private, in-person, or online.
- I will do my part to keep sports fun and positive for every youth participant.
- I will have my child notify their coach immediately of any school suspensions and disciplinary actions.

The participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian agree and understand that playing basketball in the AWYBA program is a privilege and therefore, in the event a majority of the Board of Directors of AWYBA determine, in the Board of Directors’ absolute discretion, that a participant’s conduct is detrimental to AWYBA or the Board of Directors of AWYBA determine that it is inappropriate for the participant to continue playing basketball in the AWYBA program, the Board of Directors have the absolute right to suspend or terminate the participant’s involvement in the AWYBA program for the current and/or subsequent seasons. In the event the participant is suspended or terminated, there shall not be any refund.

Furthermore, the participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian agree and understand that the Board of Directors, in its absolute discretion, will have the right to determine the severity of the discipline, including, but not limited to, termination of the participant's right to continue to play in the AWYBA program for the current and/or subsequent seasons.

Before disciplinary action shall be taken by the Board of Directors of AWYBA, the President, or an Officer of AWYBA, shall contact the participant to allow the participant an opportunity to be heard prior to a disciplinary action.

If a participant or his/her parent(s)/legal guardian are removed from a game, a gym, or a tournament due to Code of Conduct violation or in a manner that is detrimental to AWYBA or the Board of Directors, the participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian shall be suspended from all future AWYBA events until the final disciplinary action has been made by the Board of Directors. If a participant appeals a disciplinary action, the student will be ineligible throughout the appeal process. With regards to the appeal process, any reference to "days" refers to working/business days (excluding Saturdays and Sundays).

1) A written appeal may be submitted to the President of AWYBA within ten (10) days of the participant being informed of the disciplinary action. The President will review the action taken and will respond in writing to the appeal within fifteen (15) days.

2) A second written appeal may be submitted to the Board of Directors by the participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian within fifteen (15) days of the delivery of the President's ruling. The Board of Directors will review the action taken and will respond in writing to the appeal within fifteen (15) days after the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final and binding upon AWYBA, the participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian.

The participant and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian hereby agree and understand that unless this Code of Conduct is signed, the participant cannot participate in the AWYBA basketball program.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__.

I have read and I understand the provisions of this Code of Conduct. As a participant, I give my word that I will follow it. As a parent/guardian, I will hold my son/daughter accountable to the provisions of this Code of Conduct.

Participant's signature

Participant's name (please print clearly)

Participant's Parent/Legal Guardian's signature