

Arbuckle Parks & Recreation District's

Coach's Code of Conduct

1. I understand that the APRD basketball program is organized to promote youth athletics and good sportsmanship and I will lead by example.
2. I understand that my conduct as a coach will have a definite impact on youth for whom it is intended, the program, and myself. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of any personal desire to win.
3. I pledge to support, cooperate, and work in every way to promote youth athletics in the best interest of the programs and youths involved. I will include all players in team activities in as equal of a manner as possible. Place the emphasis on fun and participation.
4. I will treat each player as an individual, keeping in mind the wide range of emotional and physical development possible with any given age group.
5. Allow for reasonable absences from practice with follow up with the parent/guardian. I will notify my Program Manager if a player continually misses practice.
6. I pledge that I will treat all parents, participants and officials with respect and will encourage my team to do so also. I pledge to be respectful to all officials, even in an expression of disagreement.
7. I do agree to adhere to the principles of good sportsmanship and to the rules and regulations defined by APRD and any organizations affiliated with APRD. I will review the rule book before games and if I have a question will ask the official or program manager before the game. If I have an issue during the game I will notify the official. It is my responsibility to know the rules as they differ from level to level.
8. I do agree to be responsible for any assistant coaches, parents and relatives of my team's player and inform them of the rules of conduct that are expected during an APRD games and practices.
9. I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players. I will only allow adults that have been approved by APRD to assist with practices and games. I will make sure that players are provided with adequate adult supervision during games and practices. I will carry a first aid kit at all games and practices and notify APRD in a timely manner of any situations that occur.
10. I will show up on time for games and practices and if unable to make either will notify the parents of my players in a timely manner.
11. I understand that if I display poor sportsmanship, whether during or following a game, I will be subject to partial or permanent program suspension. Unsportsmanlike conduct is defined as, but not limited to the following:
 1. Harassment of participants, other coaches or officials
 2. Use of profane language and/or gestures
 3. Public threats of physical violence
 4. Encouraging violence with verbal or physical threats (i.e. take him down/out)
 5. Blaming a player for losing a game
12. Regulations regarding adult's ejection or suspension will follow the guidelines listed below:
 1. I understand that if I am asked to leave a game, I will be suspended from attending the next game to be played by my child's team and that my child will sit for the remainder of the game.
 2. I understand that if I am asked to leave a second game during any one season I will not be allowed to attend all the remaining regular season games and the end of the season tournament. And will not be allowed to coach the following season.
 3. I understand that the APRD board will review all adult ejections or suspensions and may extend any suspension beyond what is stated above as deemed appropriate for the offense.

13. I understand that any suspension may be appealed by using the following process: The suspended individual should submit in writing a detailed account of the incident to the president of the District within 48 hours of the suspension. The statement should give names of any witnesses that observed the incident.
14. This Code of Conduct does not exclude discipline by APRD. In the case of an ejection, the coach must leave the facility (out of sight and sound) in which the gym is located and cannot return until 1 hour after their team's next match. If the coach does return before this time, an additional 2 game suspension will be incurred. Typical APRD disciplinary actions for offenses are shown below:
15. Per California AB506, all regular volunteer in California must have a one-time background check as approved by the California Department of Justice to exclude individuals with a history of child abuse. This form of background check requires live scan fingerprinting. We have partnered with the Colusa County Sheriff and will be giving all volunteers times that they can be fingerprinted at no cost to them. If unable to make those days and times, it will be the responsibility of the volunteer to have live scan fingerprinting done at an alternate location at their own expense.
 - Disrespect to an opposing player = 1 game suspension
 - Ejection from a game (first offense) = 1 game suspension
 - Ejection from a game (second offense) = 1 season suspension
 - Ejection from a game (third offense) = life suspension from participating in APRD sanctioned events
 - Verbal assault/hostile challenge of a referee/coach/player = 1 year suspension from attending games
 - Physical assault/hostile challenge of a referee/coach/player = life suspension from participating in APRD sanctioned events

For the health and safety of our kids, weapons, smoking, chewing tobacco, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or pets (including dogs of any size) are NOT allowed on APRD program gyms. If you are seen with any of these things, you will be asked to leave the campus and may be found in violation of the Parent Code of Conduct or may be reported to the local authorities which may result in criminal charges and/or disciplinary action by the Arbuckle Parks and Recreation District. Also, public intoxication or being under the influence of any controlled substances on APRD sponsored gyms, or any other place where APRD teams are gathering, practicing, or competing will not be tolerated. These actions may also result in being reported to the local authorities which may result in criminal charges and/or disciplinary action by the APRD Board of Directors.

I further acknowledge that this APRD Coach's Code of Conduct may be updated and modified at APRD's sole discretion from time to time and the current version will be available on the APRD web site (www.arbuckleparksandrecreation.org).

Coach Name - Printed

Team Division

Coach Signature

Date

Witnessed by APRD Board/Manager

Date