

# Enfield Youth Basketball League

## Code of Ethics

The Enfield Recreation Youth Basketball Board has adopted Codes of Ethics for each person connected with the basketball program. These codes apply to coordinators, coaches, players and parents. It is our hope that by publishing these codes, we can and will demonstrate our commitment.

**Player's Ethics** – I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my teammates participating in the Enfield Youth Basketball League by following this code of ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game or practice.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of myself and my teammates ahead of any personal desire to win.
- I will provide support for coaches and officials working with me to provide a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will do my best to make youth sports fun for myself, teammates and our opponents.
- I will treat other teammates, opponents, coaches, spectators and officials with RESPECT regardless of their ability, race, sex or creed.
- I will demonstrate a drug and alcohol-free sports environment and will agree to refrain from their use at any sports event.

**Parent's Ethics** - I hereby pledge to provide support, care and encouragement for my child participating in the Enfield Youth Basketball League by following this code of ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game or practice.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will remember that the game is for the children and not for the adults.
- I will do my best to make youth sports fun for my child and everyone involved.
- I will ask my child to follow my example by treating other teammates, opponents, coaches, spectators and officials with RESPECT regardless of ability, race, sex or creed.
- I will demonstrate a drug and alcohol-free sports environment for my child and agree to assist by refraining from their use at any youth sports event.

### **No Taunting Policy**

The Enfield Recreation Youth Basketball Board has adopted a no taunting policy for all in-town basketball activities. Officials are to consider taunting a flagrant unsportsmanlike foul that disqualifies the offending bench personnel or contestant from that contest/day of competition. Taunting includes any actions or comments by coaches, players, or spectators which are intended to bait, anger, embarrass, ridicule, or demean others, whether or not the deeds or words are vulgar.

or racist. Included is conduct that berates, needles, intimidates, or threatens based on race, gender, ethnic origin or background, and conduct that attacks religious beliefs, size, economic status, speech, family, special needs, or personal matters

**Misconduct**

- A. If a player or coach receives a technical foul, he/she will sit out of the game for the equivalent of one quarter (12 minutes) from the time of the foul.
- B. If a player or coach receives two technical fouls in a game, he/she will receive a game misconduct. The player or coach must be removed from the floor and not allowed to play/coach the remainder of the game. It also carries a one game suspension for the next scheduled game.
- C. If a player or coach receives 4 technical fouls during the season, he/she will be removed from the team.
- D. Any player or coach ejected from a game for spitting, obscene gestures, swearing or discrimination will be suspended until he/she is brought up for review by the board.
- E. Any player/coach, who in the judgment of the officials intentionally injures another player/coach will be suspended from play until a board hearing.
- F. School Suspension/Expulsion: Any Enfield Recreation youth basketball player who is suspended or expelled from an Enfield Public School will not be allowed to continue his/her participation in the program unless specific permission is granted from the school building principal in the case of a suspension or the Enfield Board of Education in the case of an expulsion.

**The Enfield Recreation Department welcomes your questions, comments or suggestions concerning the Enfield Youth Basketball Program.**