



Tournament Rules and Code of Conduct

Please review the rules of the tournament and the code of conduct with your parents and players before signing below.

National High School Federation rules will be used with the exception of those changes listed below:

- Each team must supply one adult score keeper at the scorer's table for each game that team is scheduled.
- Players may compete in their own grade level with the exception of lower grades may participate in an older division. If we do not have enough teams in the 3rd grade division, they will be placed into the 4th grade division and coaches will be notified immediately.
- Players can only play on one team in the tournament.
- All teams are encouraged to have both a light and dark set of uniforms with visible numbers.
- All games will be played with two 20 minute halves with a running clock and a four minute half-time.
- Two 1-minute time outs per half for all levels.
- Overtimes are 2 minutes with 1 additional time out.
- The clock will stop during timeouts and on the whistle during the last 2 minutes of the second half.
- All divisions will use a 28.5" basketball.
- 6th, 7th, and 8th grade divisions will allow full court pressing, however, once a 20 point lead has been reached, the full court press must be removed.
- 3rd, 4th and 5th grades, **No full court pressing, No Zone or Trap Defenses**, help defense is allowed.
- The 3 point shot will be used in all divisions.
- 3rd, 4th and 5th grade divisions may shoot free throws from 12 feet.
- Any player or coach receiving a 2nd technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct or an ejection will be removed from the game. Any player or coach ejected from a game will sit out the remainder of the tournament.

Code of Conduct

- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of the parents and players of their own team.
- Referees and/or gym monitors may remove a player, coach or spectator from any game or the entire tournament for unsportsmanlike conduct.
- We are here to encourage the teams. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront officials during or after the game.

Coach's Signature _____ Date _____