

AHA Basketball Coach's Pledge

I will:

1. Conduct myself as an honorable member of Aggieland Homeschool Athletics Basketball program, whether on the court or off.
2. Strive to develop each child's God-given gifts in character, academics, and athletic skill.
3. Honor those in authority including umpires or referees by accepting their decisions without sarcasm, grumbling, or inappropriate gesturing. When I disagree with a call I will exemplify a Christ-like attitude and manner in my questioning and conversations with the referees.
4. Not use the conduct of referees, other team coaches, and players as an excuse for losing the game.
5. Not verbally demoralize players in games or in practices. I will not speak negatively or use social media to disparage players, coaches, or fans from Aggieland or other teams.
6. Honor the Christian values of the program with my speech by not using obscene language and not gossiping or talking maliciously about any players, coaches, parents, or fans in person or on social media. I will treat others as I would want others to treat me.
7. Support the basketball program values by encouraging my players and their parents to follow their respective pledges. I will verbally address parents and players who fail to adhere to what they agreed to follow.
8. Give equal opportunity to every player to learn and develop basketball skills. It is up to the player to take advantage of that opportunity.
9. Do my best to provide playing time for every player when possible. When this is not possible, I will state my expectations and reasoning to the player and parents, preferably prior to the start of the basketball game. At the beginning of the season and periodically through the season, I will state clearly playing time expectation to the player and with parents when appropriate.
10. Direct parents to the written Conflict Resolution Policy when a parent or player has a concern about either the program as a whole or myself as a coach.
11. Understand that the team that I am coaching is part of a larger program, and I will adhere to the direction of the officers and the basketball philosophies of that program.

I will support this coach's pledge by doing my best to adhere to it. I understand that I may fail and will accept correction as appropriate and strive to make adjustments as warranted. I understand that the failure to comply with this pledge could result in the suspension of my coaching duties.

Signature _____ Date: _____