

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY



The KWRL Youth Basketball League exists to provide a positive and constructive basketball experience for all participants. Our goals include providing an enjoyable experience for coaches, players, parents and fans and promoting good will between players and teams that compete in our league. In order to promote these objectives and provide a positive example for our youth, KWRL Youth Basketball League has created this **ZERO Tolerance Policy**. The policy is mandatory for all participants in our league and must be adhered to at all times.

KWRL Youth Basketball League will not tolerate behaviors by players, coaches, parents, fans or staff that run counter to its goals. Coaches, players and spectators are expected to display good sportsmanship and courtesy at all times. The following rules apply at all events and to all participants in the gym:

1. Officials - Referees are the sole persons on the basketball floor empowered to make calls and interpret basketball rules. No person may, at any time, argue with the referees, either during the game or after it concludes.
2. Technical Fouls - Any player or coach who receives more than one technical foul during the basketball season will be suspended from play (and the gym). Suspension could be anywhere from one game to the remainder of the season.
3. Players & Coaches - Good sportsmanship must be displayed at all times. Disrespectful behavior towards players, coaches, referees, or spectators is strictly prohibited. No use of inappropriate language or gestures of any sort is permitted. Any player or coach who conducts themselves in an abusive or obscene manner towards players, coaches, referees, scorekeepers, spectators, or league officials will be suspended for a minimum of one game. Any repeat offense will result in suspension from the league for the remainder of the season.
4. Players and coaches are expected to line up and shake hands with opponents after each game.
5. Spectators - Yelling at or to players, coaches, referees or fellow spectators from the stands is strictly prohibited. Spectators may not approach coaches or instruct players during the game. Any spectator that conducts themselves in an abusive manner towards any individual will be escorted from the gym and not allowed to return
6. Any person, whether coach, player or spectator that violates policy and is suspended or removed from the gym will need to meet with the Community Education Coordinator before they are allowed to return to the program/gym.
7. Gym Rules - All rules of gymnasiums must be followed at all times. Gym rules may vary from gym to gym. No Food or Drink allowed in any of the gyms. Water bottles are allowed
8. Any bullying or cyber bullying will not be tolerated. Inappropriate use of social media will result in suspension. Please do not post pictures of children without permission from their parent or guardian.

Coaches and parents are encouraged to report violations to the Community Education Director. The identity of persons making reports will be protected to the greatest extent possible. Anonymous reports or complaints will not be recognized. All reports, questions, or concerns should be directed to **Katie O'Malley-Soot** (katie.omalley-soot@hocksd.org).

I, parent/guardian of _____ have read and understand the ZERO Tolerance Policy. I will abide by the league rules and display and encourage good sportsmanship and fair play at all times. I understand that violation of the policy will result in removal from the facility and that repeated offenses will result in suspension. I understand that no refunds will be issued due to expulsion for violation of this policy.

Signature

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Date

Player Name