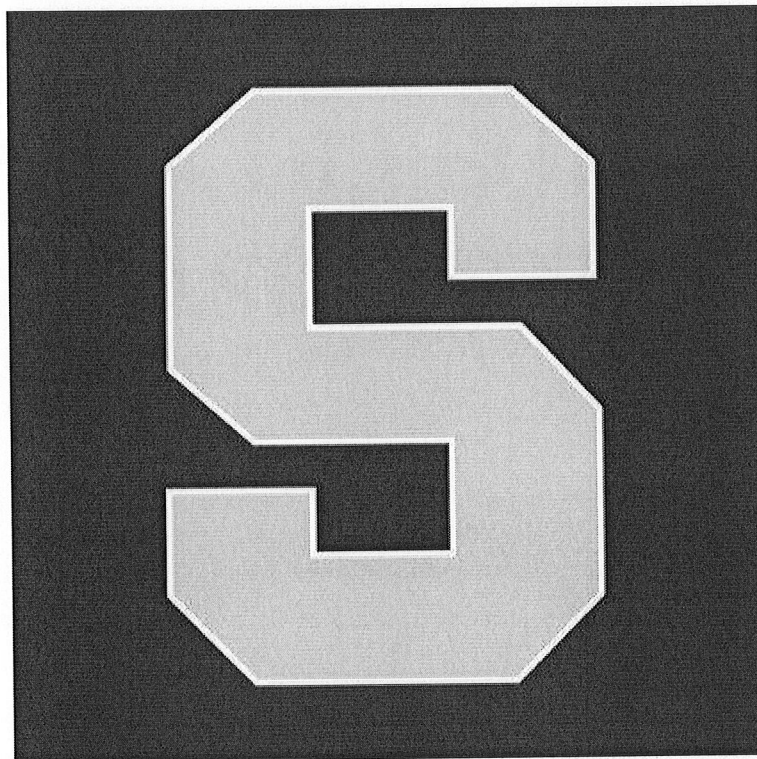


STATE COLLEGE BOYS' BASKETBALL



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Our Program Mission & Goals

Our basketball program's mission is to enhance the educational experience of our student-athletes by preparing them for life, through a highly competitive and demanding team environment committed to excellence; consistent with the standards set by the State College Area School District.

Program Goals:

1. Enable all members of our program to reach their full potential as students, people, and athletes.
2. Prepare the members of our program for success after graduation.
3. Provide a meaningful life experience that develops lifelong relationships.
4. Represent State College High School and the community with integrity, class, and character.

Success for our program will be defined by the positive impact membership has on our student-athletes' experience at State College High School, and by how well we meet our goals each day, each year, and throughout the lives of our student-athletes.



Program Philosophy

Standards:

1. Truth/Trust – Tell It & Take It
2. Communication – Leave Nothing Up to Interpretation
3. Humility - Be Appreciative of What You Have
4. Discipline – Do What Needs To Be Done. When It Needs To Be Done. How It Needs To Be Done

5 Minute Rule

1. We Are the Hardest Working Team in the Gym
2. We Care About Each Other
3. We Don't Beat Ourselves
4. We Carry Ourselves with Class & Character

Other Expectations of State College Basketball Members:

- Be on Time.
- Attend and Participate in All Classes
- Take Pride in Our Facilities
- Treat All People with Courtesy & Respect
- Absolutely No Hazing or Bullying of Any Kind
- Absolutely No Drug or Alcohol Use – It is the LAW
- Social Media: Do Nothing To Embarrass Yourself, the Program, or the School
- Abide by all PIAA Rules & Regulations – Not Sure?? Ask

An education at State College entitles you to just that – not a spot on the basketball team.



Coaching Philosophy

Basketball is an extension of the classroom and is a tool that should enhance the overall high school experience. It is our responsibility to create an environment that enables the members of our program to reach their full potential on the court, in the classroom, and in the community. The success of our program will be measured by how positively being a member of State College Boys' Basketball influences the lives of those involved in our program.

Basketball should be a meaningful life experience. The true benefits of being a student-athlete are the values and life lessons learned through competition and being a member of a team. The values we hope to teach and cultivate in my program include: work ethic, discipline, commitment, enthusiasm, sacrifice, and personal accountability.

Coaching at the high school level, I am committed first and foremost to the development of the true student-athlete. I will measure all of our accomplishments as a program by their dedication to this ideal. The expectation is to strive to become a better student, person, athlete, or coach, every day. If this is done with consistent and selfless effort, we will obtain success on and off the court.



State College Basketball Parent-Coach Communication Plan

Both parenting and coaching are very rewarding endeavors. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the other and provide greater benefits to the student-athletes. As parents, when your child becomes involved in a district program, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from the coach.

Communication you should expect from your child's coach:

1. Standards and Expectations the coach has for your child as well as all members of the program
2. Locations and times (as well as changes) of all practices, contests, and team functions
3. Team requirements, i.e. practices, team gear and equipment, offseason conditioning and lifting
4. Discipline that may result in denial of your child's participation

Communication coaches expect from parents

1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach
2. Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches

1. The treatment of your child
2. Ways to help your child improve
3. Concerns about your child's behavior
4. Academic Performance
5. Recruiting Questions/Advice
6. Injury Management

Concerns not appropriate to discuss with coaches

1. Playing time
2. Team Strategy

I will make every attempt to make myself available to discuss any concerns you may have. However, playing time and team strategy will not be discussed as it is impossible to have these discussions without involving the other members of the program. **I will not discuss someone else's child with you.**

Expectations of Parent/Guardian

1. Support your child's effort toward success on the court, in the classroom, and in the community; regardless of playing time or the outcome of a contest.
2. Work to promote a positive environment that is conducive to the development of your child.
3. Become familiar with the rules and regulations of State College School District, the sport, and the PIAA.
4. Communicate any concerns in a timely manner.
5. Treat all athletic personnel with courtesy and respect, and insist that your child do the same.

