



**CITY OF LEEDS  
BASKETBALL  
CLUB**  
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## **PARENTAL CODE OF CONDUCT**

*As part of COLBC's commitment to the enjoyment and development of all participants within the club, parents should follow the following code of conduct.*

### **Supportive Attitude:**

**Parents should maintain a positive and supportive attitude towards their child, the coaching staff, and other players within the basketball environment. Encourage and motivate your child to do their best while respecting the efforts of others.**

### **Respect for Officials:**

**Parents should model good sportsmanship by treating referees, officials, and opposing teams with respect and dignity. Avoid criticising or challenging their decisions during games or practices.**

### **Communication with staff:**

**Maintain open and respectful lines of communication with all COLBC staff. Discuss your child's progress, concerns, or any other relevant matters in a calm and appropriate manner. Avoid confrontational or aggressive behaviour.**

### **Encouragement, Not Pressure:**

Encourage your child to participate in basketball for the love of the game and personal development. Avoid putting excessive pressure on them to achieve specific outcomes or goals.

### **Attendance and Punctuality:**

Ensure that your child attends practices, games, and team events regularly and arrives on time. Notify the coaching staff in advance if your child is unable to attend for any reason.

### **Sportsmanship and Fair Play:**

Instil in your child the values of sportsmanship, fair play, and respect for opponents, teammates, and coaches. Encourage them to compete with integrity and adhere to the rules of the game.

### **Healthy Competition:**

Emphasise the importance of teamwork and the pursuit of personal improvement rather than solely focusing on winning. Encourage your child to value the effort they put in and to learn from both successes and setbacks.

### **Respect Boundaries:**

Recognise that the coaching staff has the expertise and authority to make decisions regarding team selection, game strategies, and player development. Avoid interfering or overstepping boundaries by attempting to influence these decisions.

### **Parental Involvement:**

**Offer your support to the City Of Leeds Basketball programme where possible by volunteering when needed, such as organising team events or fundraisers. However, respect the roles and responsibilities of all COLBC staff and avoid undue interference.**

### **Conflict Resolution:**

**If a disagreement or conflict arises, address the matter through appropriate channels, such as requesting a meeting with the appropriate member of staff. Avoid confrontations or negative interactions with other parents, players, or members of staff.**

**By adhering to this Parental Code of Conduct, you contribute to creating a positive and nurturing environment for your child's participation in the City Of Leeds Basketball programme. Your support and commitment to these principles will foster their personal growth, enjoyment of the sport, and overall development as a well-rounded athlete.**