

# Penelope BSO

## Parent Code of Conduct

The primary objective of Penelope BSO Youth Basketball is to support and teach the children of our community the game of basketball in a positive and constructive manner. Beyond basic basketball skills, we hope to grow all player's level of teamwork, skills, sportsmanship and love for the game. Equally important we want parents to enjoy this experience with their child along with other family members and friends. Penelope BSO Youth Basketball ask all parents to help support this objective and Penelope BSO Youth Basketball by abiding to the following Parent Code of Conduct.

1. Parents shall always respect the decisions of officials. Their job is a hard one, but can be made easier with the cooperation and support of all parents and friends. Judgment decisions by officials are always final.
2. Parents need to be aware that certain situation in the Penelope BSO Youth Basketball is out of their control such as games staying on schedule which results from overtime, referees being late, etc. 2
3. Parents shall encourage their child always to play by the rules and shall strive to promote good sportsmanship among players.
4. Parents will refrain always from making negative or derogatory comments about players, coaches, officials or fans while at an event or in a public area. Remember that you are also responsible for extended family members and friends. We also strongly suggest to avoid these types of conversations in front of the players.
5. Parents will refrain always from using any social media to post concerns, issues, negative or dissatisfactory comments.
6. Using, possessing, or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs is absolutely forbidden.
7. Parents shall treat coaches with respect, recognizing that each coach is a volunteer, giving of personal time and money to provide a recreational activity for your child.
  - a. Bring and pick up your child from practice on time
  - b. Follow the Code of Conduct at all practice and at every game event
  - c. Address any issues first with the coach in a private setting, never on the day of a game. If the issue needs further attention, parents will need to contact the president and/or vice president of the Penelope BSO Youth Basketball so it can be properly and professionally addressed.
8. The use of profane language will not be tolerated, and will be ask to be dismiss from Penelope BSO Youth Basketball

We must trust that the coach has our child's best interest in mind and that you have taught your child well. Players need time to themselves to think about the positive and negatives, without parent interruption. If you have something to communicate, please do so in a professional manner through the correct channels. Everyone has a role to play, we need 100 percent of your support to create a cohesive environment.