



## Coaches Code of Conduct

In order to ensure that the principals of sportsmanship, fair play, skill development, and mutual respect among players, coaches, officials and spectators are the primary consideration governing competition within the Wortham Little Dribblers Association, the following Code of Conduct has been established:

Please acknowledge your understanding and willingness to abide by the Code of Conduct by reading and signing this form.

1. I acknowledge that my primary responsibility is to foster the stated purpose of the Wortham Little Dribblers Association, which is to promote a healthy, pleasant and safe environment for youth to participate in basketball. In order to fulfill my obligation, I will:
  - A. Fully abide by the policies, rules, and guidelines set forth by the league.
  - B. Respect game officials and refrain from communicating with them in an abusive manner.
  - C. Encourage the team and fans to conduct themselves with sportsmanship and maturity at all times while attending games and practices.
  - D. Assist the game officials in maintaining control of spectators during games.
  - E. Be a positive role model for players by never:
    - Using or tolerating obscene language and gestures
    - Physically or verbally intimidating a player
    - Making discriminating remarks based on race, religion, gender, or ability
    - Consuming alcohol at or being in an inebriated state during team activities (practice, games, travel time, etc.)
    - Smoking or using tobacco products during team activities (practice, games, travel time, etc.)
    - Encouraging, tolerating, or participating in substance abuse
2. I will not knowingly allow a player to play in a game if that player does not meet the guidelines for eligibility.
3. I fully understand that basketball should be a fun rewarding and positive experience for all participants.
4. I will insure that all assistant coaches under my authority will abide by the Code of Conduct.
5. I will communicate with parents regarding all practice and game times and will inform both players and parents of my expectations.

I understand and acknowledge the terms and conditions of the Code of Conduct and understand that any violations will result in disciplinary action from the Board of Directors. I agree to abide by all the provisions set forth.

Coach Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_