

#### **Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct**

At Marcus McGee Basketball, the safety, integrity, and enjoyment of the game for all participants is our highest priority. Parents and spectators play a vital role in modeling respect and sportsmanship for our athletes. To ensure a positive environment, all parents and spectators are expected to adhere to the following rules:

# 1. Respect for Officials

- Parents and spectators must not engage directly with referees before, during, or after games. Any concerns about officiating must be directed to your team's **Head Coach** only.
- Tournament staff and the On-Site Director/Manager will **only communicate with the Head Coach or Team Director.**

## 2. Respect for Coaches

- Parents must not communicate with or confront opposing team coaches, parents, or
  players at any time, regardless of their coaching style or treatment of their (opposing
  team) players.
- Protests regarding player eligibility (age/grade) may only be submitted by the Head
   Coach or Team Director listed on the exposure app.

### 3. Behavior Standards

- The use of profanity, threatening language, or aggressive behavior toward referees, staff, coaches, parents, or players will not be tolerated.
- Parents and spectators must demonstrate sportsmanship and respect at all times, both on and off the court.
- When approached by a staff member please listen to their needs and be cooperative. Do
  not become confrontational or non-cooperative. Yelling at staff as a means of
  communication will not be tolerated, and staff will not engage with any parent or
  spectator who is yelling.

### 4. On - Court Altercations

- In the event of a player altercation on the court, **parents must not enter the court** under any circumstances.
- Only coaches and tournament staff are responsible for de-escalating on-court incidents.
- If necessary for safety, a parent may remove their own child from the court and immediately exit the facility

#### 5. Bench and Wristband Rules

- A referee will only engage with the head coach of a team and will not engage with any parent or spectator wearing a coach's wristband in the stands.
- All credentialed coaches with wristbands must remain on the bench area from the start of the game.

#### **Enforcement**

Failure to follow this Code of Conduct may result in:

- Verbal warning
- Removal from the facility
- Suspension from future events
- Permanent ban from all MJM Sports Group events.

We ask all parents and spectators to remember: your behavior sets the tone for your studentathlete and contributes directly to the culture of the game. Let us work together to ensure a safe, respectful, and competitive environment for everyone.

Sincerely,

**MJM Sports Group** 

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