

# **Boosters Youth**



# **Basketball Association**

Coaches Handbook

2016-2017

### **Purpose of this Handbook**

The purpose of this handbook is to provide general policy and procedure information about Boosters Basketball and the operation of the program. Detailed information can be obtained by logging onto the basketball website at [www.boostersbasketball.com](http://www.boostersbasketball.com).

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## Boosters Youth Basketball Association

***The BYBA was formed in 2006 with the primary purpose of executing the duties of the Basketball Board of Directors of the St. Anthony Village Sports Boosters.***

### ***2016-2017 Board of Directors***

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### ***Monthly Meetings***

- Regular meetings of the BYBA are held the third Sunday of the month August through April.
- Please check the Boosters Basketball website for meeting dates, times and past minutes at [www.boostersbasketball.com](http://www.boostersbasketball.com)
- BYBA Board meetings are open to the public.

## **Boosters Basketball Website**

[www.boostersbasketball.com](http://www.boostersbasketball.com)

- Dedicated website for the St. Anthony Sports Boosters Basketball program
- List of current Basketball Board of Directors/Members with email addresses
- Calendar of events (meetings, registrations, tryouts, team websites, etc.)
- Registration forms, code of conduct forms for Lil' Dribblers, In-House and Traveling
- Team website pages available, if requested
- On-line Registration
- Copies of Booster by-laws and other operational documents
- Link to the Boosters website and other community basketball websites

### **Registration**

- The time and place of registration will be published on the basketball website and registration flyers given out at schools.

### **Fees**

- St. Anthony Sports Boosters is a non-profit organization. All fees that are paid to participate in Lil' Dribbler, In-House and Traveling basketball are used to support each program separately. Costs to support an In-House and Traveling program include but are not limited to, tournament and/or league registrations (approximately \$500-\$600 annually per team), applicable gym fees for practice, equipment, insurance, coaching certifications, and other miscellaneous expenses.

### **Volunteer/Uniform Deposit**

- All parents/guardians of BYBA In-House/Traveling players are required to submit a separate \$100 Volunteer/Uniform Deposit (check) per player.
- Volunteer/Uniform Deposits (check) will be collected by the coach or team parent and given to the In-House or Traveling Director.
- The Volunteer Uniform checks will not be cashed unless a family does not complete the required volunteers hours (2 hours) **AND** the uniform is not returned in proper condition.

## **PLAYER'S Code of Conduct Pledge**

I hereby pledge to have a positive attitude and to be responsible for my participation in St. Anthony Sports Boosters Basketball by following this Code of Conduct:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials, parents, and guardians at every game and practice.
2. I will attend every practice and game that is reasonably possible and notify my coach if I cannot.
3. I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches. I will treat my coaches, teammates, officials, and opponents with respect regardless of race, sex, religion or abilities and will expect to be treated accordingly.
4. I will never use obscene language or gestures.
5. I will never be physically or verbally intimidating, abuse or assault the other players.
6. I deserve to play in an alcohol, tobacco and drug free environment and I will conduct myself in a way that all my teammates will have this opportunity as well.
7. I will encourage my parents/guardians to be involved with my team in some way because it is important to me.
8. I will do my best in school and I understand that school/grades are the priority.
9. I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.
10. I agree that as a member of a St. Anthony Sports Boosters Basketball team, I will respect other people's property, authority and laws governing my actions.

I understand and am willing to comply with the Code of Conduct set forth above. I understand that failure to do so will result in reprimands by my coach or the BYBA Board of Directors. Reprimands may include but are not restricted to: verbal reprimand, suspension from play and expulsion from current and future Boosters Basketball activities.

### **Disciplinary Process**

#### **1. Athletes who demonstrate problem behavior:**

Coach should discuss issue with the player, reduce playing time if necessary, but contact parents before playing time is reduced. If the situation continues, the coach may dismiss the player from the team after first consulting with the sport specific commissioner. Please review the Player code of conduct.

## **PARENTS/GUARDIANS Code of Conduct Pledge**

Parents & guardians will maintain their composure during a game. If they disagree with the amount of playing time their child receives, they will discuss this with the coach prior to contacting either Basketball Commissioner.

***If parents disagree with the referees, they will contact and discuss the concerns with the coaching staff.***

Parents are responsible for their children's behavior. If they are notified that their child is becoming unruly or disruptive, they will attend practice's to assure their child's behavior is not unruly or disruptive.

Parents: Please understand that the coaches of St. Anthony are VOLUNTEERING their time and effort; they are trying to teach all the players how to play basketball. If you have any concerns talk to them prior to contacting either of the Basketball Commissioners.

## **COACHES Code of Ethics**

1. I will treat each individual player, opposing coach, official, & administrator with respect and dignity.
2. I will do my best to learn the fundamental skills, teaching techniques and strategies of the game.
3. I will become familiar with the rules of the game.
4. I will become familiar with the objectives, rules, & regulations of the Saint Anthony Sports Boosters.
5. I will uphold the authority of the officials assigned to the contest in which I coach and I will assist them in every way to conduct fair and impartial competitive contests.
6. I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my players in order that I might place them into situations where they have maximum opportunities to achieve success.
7. I will be patient and supportive and take the time to work with each player regardless of ability or potential.
8. I will encourage my players to report physical injury or pain without fear of ridicule or loss of self esteem.
9. I will be a supportive listener to my players when they respectfully voice their opinions or ask questions about technique and strategy.
10. I will conduct my practices and games so that players have an opportunity to improve their skill level through active participation.
11. I will communicate to my players their rights and responsibilities.
12. I will report any irregularities that violate sound, competitive practices.
13. I will protect the health and safety of my players by insisting that all of the activities under my control are conducted for their psychological and physiological welfare rather than the vicarious interests of adults.

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2. Coach who demonstrates problem behavior:

The issue should immediately be forwarded to the sport specific commissioner who should investigate and initiate corrective action which may include bringing the matter to the attention of the BYBA Board

## **Zero Tolerance Rules**

1. A coach and player will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language when dealing with a player, coach or official in any game or practice.
2. A coach and player will refrain from any inappropriate physical contact when dealing with a player, coach or official in any game or practice.

## **Participation and Playing Time**

The amount of playing time per player is always a major concern for players, parents, coaches and the St. Anthony Sports Boosters. The following guidelines should be implemented by coaches in all programs sponsored by the St. Anthony Sports Boosters:

1. Playing time should be reasonably balanced per game if the team member demonstrates good attendance for practices and games; shows respect towards teammates, coaches and others; and listens and tries to improve skills throughout the season.
2. Skill variation should have no bearing on playing time. The goal should be to win or lose as a team and improve as a team.
3. If a coach feels that a team member is not demonstrating the behavior listed in #1 above, the coach must follow the steps in the Disciplinary Process outlined in these Coaches Guidelines before playing time for the team member is affected.



## **In House Program**

- The recommended maximum number of players per team is ten (10).
  1. No player may play on any two (2) teams concurrently, regardless of residency, enrollment, or location.

No player may be used as a short term substitute for any other BYBA team.

No player is allowed to "play up" or "play down" a grade level.

No coach may "lend" a player to any other BYBA team

- Each player is guaranteed reasonably balanced playing time, regardless of any league affiliation. Adjustments can be made for disciplinary and other reasons outlined in the SASB Coaches Guidelines.
- Team selection. Teams are formed with an attempt to create balanced teams.

## **Playing Season**

The In-House season typically is defined as November through February, and is run in conjunction with the Mounds View, Irondale and Roseville Basketball Associations. Games are held on Saturday.

## **Practices**

- In-House teams practice up to two times per week during the regular season. Coaches will provide players with the practice schedules after they are set. It is the goal of the basketball program to have 2 practices per week at 1.5 hour each. However, with the recent growth of the program gym space has become limited.
- In-House teams at the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade level will have 1 practice a week that will end at 10pm. This is due to the recent growth of the program and limited gym space in the community. We will continue to look for additional space which may require permits and may require gym fees.
- We expect that all players and coaches respect all gyms and equipment. Please do not use any equipment that has not been authorized for use, especially in the gym space that we rent from other communities. Coaches practicing at facilities outside the St. Anthony Community will be responsible to pay for or replace damaged equipment that was not authorized for our use.

## **Traveling Program**

- The maximum number of players allowed on a traveling team is ten (10) and not less than seven (7). If there are more than eleven (11) players trying out for a team, the recommendation of an eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) player may be made at the discretion of the Traveling Program Selection Committee subject to approval by the BYBA. If it is determined that there are twelve (12) or more players of equal or similar skill, more than one team may be created.
- No player may play on any two (2) teams concurrently, regardless of residency, enrollment, or location.
- No player may be used as a short term substitute for any other BYBA basketball team.
- No coach may "lend" a player to any other BYBA basketball team.
- Each player is guaranteed reasonably balanced playing time, regardless of any league affiliation. Adjustments can be made for disciplinary and other reasons outlined in the SASB Coaches Guidelines.

## **Loss of a Traveling Basketball Player**

1. If there are at least 7 available players after the loss, no replacement will be allowed.
2. *If there are less than 7 players available after the loss, a player may be added to the team as follows, in this order:*
  - a) If a First or "A" team roster falls below the minimum the head coach may select an additional player from the Second or "B" team. This player must be the highest scored player from the Second or "B" team tryouts **and** meet and not violate the eligibility requirements as stated in the SASB By-laws.
  - b) In the case that there is no Second or "B" team, the head coach may select the highest scored player from the list of candidates who originally tried out, provided that they meet and do not violate the eligibility requirements as stated in the SASB by-laws.
  - c) If a "B" team roster falls below the minimum the head coach may select an additional player from the in-house program. If an in-house team does not exist for that grade level, the coach may add an additional player, from the same grade level, from in or outside the district to bring the roster to the minimum number of seven (7).
  - d) The new player becomes a permanent member of the team, subject to BYBA Board approval.

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The period in which a team may participate as a member of the BYBA Traveling Basketball Program in tournaments or league games is limited to the first day of traveling.

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- Traveling teams at the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade level will have 1 practice a week that will end at 10pm. This is due to the recent growth of the program and limited gym space in the community. We will continue to look for additional space which may require permits and may require gym fees.
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**We appreciate the effort of our community partners this season in helping us obtain practice facilities:**

**Elmwood Evangelical Free Church**

**St. Anthony**

**St. Anthony High School**

**Wilshire Park Elementary**

### 2016-2017 Important Dates for Coaches

August 22 – September 21	Registration Dates Open/Close for all programs
September 19	Traveling Tryout Practice Night/Parent Info Meeting
September 21	Traveling Tryout Practice Night/Parent Info Meeting
September 21 – October 9	Lil' Dribblers/In-House/Traveling Coaches Selected Trusted Coaches information sent to coaches and assistant coaches
September 24	Traveling Tryouts/Uniform Sizing/Parent Info Meeting
September 25	Notify Traveling Teams Online
September 26	6-8p In-House Evals 3/4 Girls (6-7)/3/4 Boys (7-8) Uniform Sizing/Parent Information Meeting
September 27	6-8p In-House Evals 5/6 Girls (6-7)/5/6 Boys (7-8) Uniform Sizing/Parent Information Meeting
October 9	Notify Coaches of their teams Lil'Dribblers/In-House
Week of October 10	Send out Schedules for Practices
October 10-19	Equipment Pickup Date
October 10	Order Shooting Shirts
October 24	Traveling/InHouse Practice Starts
October 24	Begin Volunteer Sign-ups for MYAS Tournaments November 12 / December 10 / January 14
October 29	Lil' Dribblers Start 7 Week Program Wilshire Elementary
November 5	In-House Games Start
November 12	MYAS Booster Hosted Tournament
December 10	MYAS Booster Hosted Tournament
December 17	End of Lil' Dribbler Program
January 14	MYAS Booster Hosted Tournament
January 28	End of Regular In-House Season
February 4	In-House Tourney for 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
March 4/5	Grade State Girls
March 11/12	Grade State Boys
March 18/19	Rec State for Boys/Girls
March 20-31	Equipment Turn-in Day/Times TBD