

PLEASANT VALLEY YOUTH ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 485, Brodheads ville, PA 18322
BASKETBALL - Member of the Community Basketball League

PARENT/ FAN CODE OF CONDUCT

The Pleasant Valley Youth Association (PVYA) expects its fans to behave in a manner that will foster growth and a positive experience for all of those involved in PVYA programs. The Community Basketball League (CBL) and the PVYA take parent/fan behavior very serious. The CBL enacted a fine system that reads as follows:

“Any fan that comes onto the basketball court to verbally or physically assault an official, coach or player, will be ejected from the game and MUST pay a \$100 fine. This negative action of the fan will also result in an automatic forfeit by the team. Also, any parent or fan that verbally or physically confronts an official, coach or player within the facility or anywhere on the grounds of the facility will be fined \$100.”

Since it is the responsibility of PVYA as the member organization to guarantee payment of any fines, *failure to pay any imposed fines will result in the immediate dismissal of you and your child(ren) from the program.* You, your child and future family participants will be indefinitely banned from PVYA programs for failure to pay an imposed fine and PVYA has the right to seek payment through legal means.

PVYA has also enacted the following conduct guidelines for parents and fans:

- Parents/ fans are not to shout negative comments directed to children on any team.
- Parents are not to verbally or physically confront parents/fans from opposing teams. *Police actions against a PVYA parent/fan will result in immediate dismissal from the program.*
- Parents are to heed any warnings of officials and/ or their coach or any PVYA Board Member as to any negative behavior they are exhibiting that may result in an action being taken against them.
- Parents/ fans are not to confront their child’s coach during the game to discuss playing time or any other situation involving their child.
- Parents/ fans are not to confront their child’s coach in an irrational manner, especially in the presence of players, to discuss his/her coaching abilities/ style or the playing time of their child.

An official or any PVYA Board Member has the right to eject from the game a parent/ fan that is not following these conduct guidelines. Any parent ejected from a game will receive a warning letter from PVYA. If a PVYA parent/ fan is ejected a second time, at PV or any other venue, that parent/ fan will be banned from games for the rest of the season. Any banned parents/ fans from any CBL venue are reported by the home organization to the CBL Board of Directors.

PVYA has established a “chain of command” to handle potential conflicts between parents and coaches. This information is posted on the PVYA website at www.geocities.com/pvyabasketball. These guidelines must be followed in order to resolve any issues. Parents/ fans who make a phone call to a board member that is not the appropriate contact for that situation will be referred to the guidelines on the website. *PVYA has the right to dismiss any player/parent from the program that is not following PVYA guidelines.*

Remember, before you do something you might regret, think of the consequences! Youth sports programs promote growth and development of our youth through teamwork and competition. It is the responsibility of all adults involved – not just the coaches – to teach and show the values of good sportsmanship, teamwork and positive reinforcement.

This letter MUST be read and signed by parents/guardians before your child will be allowed to play in games. A signature of one parent/guardian will be considered a signature for both parents/guardians living in the same household. If an additional form is needed for a non-residing parent, please ask your child’s coach.

Sincerely,
PVYA Board of Directors

Child’s Name (print) _____ **Date** _____

Parent’s Name (print) _____ **Signature** _____

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