



## Taylor Youth League Volunteer Coach Agreement

Taylor Parks and Recreation appreciates your willingness to serve as a volunteer coach for the Taylor Youth Basketball League. Taylor Parks & Recreation Youth Leagues depend on members of the community such as yourself who are willing to provide services for civic, charitable, and/or humanitarian reasons with the understanding that no compensation will be paid nor expenses reimbursed. This Agreement sets out guiding principles and conduct expectations for coaches.

I understand that my responsibilities as a youth coach are of great importance and that my actions can significantly influence the young athletes I coach. I acknowledge that Taylor Parks and Recreation provides training opportunities and resources. Therefore, I promise to uphold the following principles to the best of my ability.

- I. Providing opportunities to participate in sports at a level commensurate with each child's maturity and ability.
- II. Providing qualified adult leadership, treating participants with dignity, and facilitating fun in sports.
- III. Allowing children to share in the leadership and decision-making of their sports participation.
- IV. Providing a safe and healthy environment.
- V. Facilitating proper preparation for participation in sports and an equal opportunity for success. I also promise to conduct myself in accordance with the following:
  1. I will treat each athlete, coach, official, parent, guest, and administrator with dignity based on the four values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility.
  2. I will do my best to learn my sport's fundamental skills, rules, teaching and evaluation techniques, and strategies.
  3. I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my athletes so that I might place them in situations where they have a maximum opportunity to succeed.
  4. I will become familiar with the objectives and mission of the Taylor Parks and Recreation Youth Leagues with which I am affiliated, including their recreational focus. I will strive to achieve these objectives and communicate the objectives and mission to my athletes and their parents.
  5. I will uphold the authority of the officials assigned to the contests I coach and assist them in conducting fair and impartial competitive contests.
  6. I will conduct my practices and contests so that all athletes have an opportunity to improve their skill levels through active participation. I will protect the health and safety of my athletes to the best of my abilities.
  7. I will cooperate with our organization's administrator in enforcing rules and regulations and in the evaluation process for coaches, and I will report any irregularities that violate sound competitive practices.

I understand that I serve as a volunteer coach at the pleasure of Taylor Parks and Recreation and may be removed from this position for any reason with or without cause or advance notice.

With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this agreement, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to the foregoing. I confirm I will do my best to fulfill the guiding principles and promises listed above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_