

## **HYBA ZERO TOLERANCE and FACILITIES USAGE POLICY**

### **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**

**HYBA Boys and Girls Basketball** has agreed to set certain behavior requirements for everyone in attendance at our practices and games. Please alert all parents, fans, coaches and athletes of these expectations:

#### **1. Fans: Support your team!**

- No derogatory remarks to opposing players, coaches or teams.
- No personal or derogatory remarks directed at Officials, no loud or continuous harassment of Officials.
- Absolutely zero tolerance for confronting Officials – any physical contact with Officials will involve law enforcement.

#### **2. Coaches:** HYBA expects our adult coaches to “**set the example**” for good behavior, sportsmanship and professional courtesy.

- You may disagree with an Official’s call, do not make your comments personal, angry or derogatory, and once you have made them, drop it!
- Insist that your players and fans demonstrate good sportsmanship toward opposing coaches, players and Officials.
- Insist that all of your players shake hands after the game and demonstrate grace in winning and dignity in losing.
- Do not teach, tolerate, or allow taunting of other teams, “trash talking,” or foul language at any point.
- Lead by example: compliment good plays by opposing players, shake hands with opposing coaches before and after the game, and do not get confrontational with Officials.

#### **3. Athletes:** Show respect toward Officials, other players and other coaches.

- Do not engage in any form of derogatory comments, “trash talking,” foul language, or taunting, regardless of the score.
- Do not engage in “fighting,” as this could cause your ejection from the league.
- Do not leave your bench, and encourage all other players to stay on the bench if any disruption occurs.
- Shake hands with opposing coach before the game and with opposing players and coaches after the game, demonstrating grace in winning and dignity in losing.
- Players will wear complete HYBA issued uniform to every game (jersey AND shorts). Exceptions for shorts must be approved by league coordinator

#### **4. Penalties:**

- **Coaches:** A coach ejected from one game will automatically be suspended from the next game; a second ejection during the season will result in an automatic suspension for the remainder of the season, subject to the coach’s right to an appeal; serious misconduct could result in additional discipline.
- **Athletes:** Two technical fouls will result in an automatic suspension of an athlete from his or her next game, and possible further discipline. A second ejection for two technical fouls during one season will result in a suspension for the rest of the season, subject to the athlete’s right to an appeal.
- **Fans:** Ejection from a game for misbehavior will result in your suspension from attending any other games the rest of the season. Any physical contact with a game Official, coaches, HYBA Officials, or opposing players or parents will cause law enforcement to be brought in for possible criminal prosecution, and you may be permanently banned from HYBA.
- **All:** Continued misconduct by a team, or its Coaches and/or fans, as a last resort, can result in forfeit.

#### **5. Facilities Guidelines:**

- All facilities utilized for practices and games will be treated with respect.
- Do not enter any other areas of a facility other than the gymnasium in which your practice or game is scheduled. No one should enter any classroom or attempt to access areas roped or partitioned off.
- Siblings or other children are not allowed to run around the gym or in hallways.
- Parents and fans should bring their own chairs (tailgate folding chairs) to sit in. Do not move school or church chairs or any furniture into the gymnasiums.
- IF siblings are at practice, they should NOT be dribbling basketballs or running around the gym. In addition to the safety risks, this causes players to become distracted.
- Between games, only players are allowed on the basketball court. Simply stated: non-players are not allowed to run around the basketball court, shoot or dribble.
- As you leave the gym, pick up any trash, water bottles, basketballs or clothing items you bring. Each year, we have many coats and sweatshirts that get left behind.
- Do not ask custodians for anything – keys to closets, first aid kits, etc.
- Any player caught tampering with school property will be dismissed from the league. Zero tolerance policy in effect.

- Coaches should explain to their teams how to respect the facilities and treat them with care and appreciation. Coaches are responsible for the way each team member leaves the facility at the end of each practice and game. Remind your players that all the schools have video cameras so their activity is being recorded.
- If another team is practicing in the gym, do not enter the gymnasium prior to the start time of your scheduled practice. This is disruptive and causes distraction for the teams trying to finish their practices. Wait in a hallway if possible. You can wait quietly in the gym, but do not dribble basketballs and cause disruption.
- No dribbling basketballs in the hallways. Keep the basketballs off the walls as well.
- **At Lost Mountain Middle School:**
  1. THE CROSS FIT APPARATUS AND WORKOUT EQUIPMENT IN THE CARPETED GYM ARE OFF LIMITS TO PARENTS AND KIDS. At no point should anyone be on the equipment. Siblings of HYBA players should not be on this equipment during practices or games.
  2. Only WATER is allowed in the carpeted gym. No other food or drink – especially colored sports drinks or cupcakes that could stain the carpet
  3. At the end of the last game or practice of the day, the movable goals must be raised to 10 feet and moved back into the far corners of the carpeted gym.
  4. No children are to be left unsupervised in the carpeted gym while their siblings’ games are being played in the main gym.
  5. Exit and Enter the gym areas only through the exterior doors adjacent to the theaters. Do not enter/exit gyms or the school through the back or side doors.

**6. Issue escalation:**

- No parent or fan should address the referees for any issue at any time. Only the coaches should communicate with the referees.
- Parents that have any concerns or issues should first address the head coach of the team.
- If the issue cannot be resolved with the head coach, the league coordinator should be notified by the parent or coach. From there, escalation is to the HYBA Board and Director. Finally, as a last resort, Harrison High School varsity coaches will intervene.

Names and Signatures below indicate the parties that have read, understand and will comply with the HYBA Zero Tolerance and Facilities Usage Policy:

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Player Name

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Parent Name

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Player Signature / Date

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Parent Signature / Date

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Coach Name

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Coach Signature / Date