**Code of Conduct:** Athletic participation is more than just exercise. It is a chance to build character amongst our youth community. West Coast Basketball Association strives to build a positive basketball experience through the following: sportsmanship, leadership, teamwork, responsibility, dedication, accountability and professionalism. All parents, fans and officials who participate in West Coast Basketball Association youth programs are asked and expected to:

- 1. Refrain from coaching your child, or other players, during games and practices, unless you are one of the registered volunteer Head or Assistant Coaches for the team.
- Respect the officials and their authority during games. Do not question, discuss or confront coaches or referees at the gymnasium. Discuss your concerns to coaches/WCBA Staff at an agreed upon time and place amicably.
- 3. Remember our that youth athletes participate to have fun and that the game is about the youth players, not the adults.
- 4. Be a positive role model for your child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy. Demonstrate only positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- 5. Do Not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent. Conduct such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures will not be tolerated.
- 6. Do Not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the youth athletes, coaches, officials and/or the spectators.
- Demand and hold your child accountable to treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect at all times regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- Do Not ridicule or yell at their child or other participants for making a mistake or losing.

In the event officials or West Coast Basketball Association staff members determines a fan(s) or parent's behavior(s) are in violation of the above, we reserve the right to ask fan(s) or parents to take corrective behavioral action. If corrective actions are not taken, officials or West Coast Basketball Association reserves the right to ask that the spectator(s) or parent(s) to leave the premise, and if deemed necessary by us, will contact legal authorities to address the issue.

Our goal is to create an atmosphere that embraces and considers the safety of all youth athletes, parents, coaches, fans, spectators, referees, volunteers and staff. Please help support us in building a positive basketball experience together as a team and community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

West Coast Basketball Association.