



LITTLE CHIEFS YOUTH BASKETBALL CLUB

Code of Conduct

The Big Foot Little Chiefs Youth Basketball Club is dedicated to teaching the fundamentals of basketball and displaying good sportsmanship while promoting a competitive atmosphere. Participants will gain valuable experience playing basketball against opponents that they would not typically compete against until high school.

Competitive Basketball

The Little Chiefs is a traveling, competitive basketball club. Unlike many middle school basketball programs in the area, the Little Chiefs play to win. Although we will not “win at all costs,” one of the founding principles of the program was to develop competitive teams at the high school level. Registration for a team does not guarantee a spot on the roster, nor does a roster spot guarantee playing time. Fourth-grade through eighth-grade boys and girls that live in the Big Foot Union High School District are eligible to participate in the Little Chiefs.

Expectations

Anyone associated with the Little Chiefs, including players, coaches, parents, and volunteers:

1. Must display good sportsmanship.
2. Must demonstrate enthusiasm, honesty, respect for the game, and a sense of fair play.
3. Must comply with team, club, league, and game rules.
4. Must respect players, coaches, managers, officials, Little Chiefs representatives and other volunteers.
5. May not use abusive or vulgar language or gestures at any time.
6. May not argue or display emotional outbursts.
7. Must remember that they represent their community.
8. Must use appropriate handling and care of club uniforms and equipment.
9. Must respect the practice and game facilities (The Little Chiefs use most facilities free of charge.)

Player Expectations

All Little Chiefs players:

1. Must read and sign this Code of Conduct.
2. Must put forth their best effort at all times.
3. May not use or possess tobacco, drugs, or alcohol.
4. Must respect teammates, opponents, coaches, managers, officials, and Little Chiefs representatives. (Remember, they are volunteers helping our community’s youth.)
5. Must practice as determined by the team coach.
6. Must attend games and tournaments as scheduled (unless excused by a coach).
7. Must notify a coach in advance before missing a practice, game, or tournament.
8. Must notify a coach if they are having problems with another player, a coach, Little Chiefs staff member or another team.

Parent/Guardian Expectations

All Little Chiefs parents/guardians:

1. Must read, complete and sign both this Code of Conduct and the Registration form.
2. Must pay a \$60 per player participation fee (\$120 family maximum) at the time of registration unless granted a scholarship.
3. Must pay any outstanding fees or fines before their son/daughter may play in any game or tournament.
4. Must provide transportation for their son/daughter to and from practices, games, and tournaments. (This is not a coach's responsibility.)
5. Must contact a coach (after—not during—an event) of any grievance. If the parent is not satisfied or the issue is unresolved after speaking to a coach, parents/guardians may contact the club president or another member of the Little Chiefs board of directors.
6. Non-player children may not attend practices. Parents/Guardians are responsible for non-player children during games, or tournaments. (The Little Chiefs is not a babysitting service.)
7. Must pay a \$50 per item fee for any piece of uniform and/or equipment that is not returned promptly or that is returned in a condition that displays misuse, abuse, or neglect.
8. May not use or possess tobacco, drugs, or alcohol at Little Chiefs sponsored practices, games, tournaments or events.
9. Must volunteer to help the club by selling concessions, working during games or tournaments, or assisting the club in some other capacity.

I have read; I understand; and I agree to follow the Big Foot Little Chiefs *Code of Conduct*.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

PLAYER SIGNATURE

DATE