

Pleasanton Youth Basketball (PYB)



Parent Handbook

Dear PYB Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for registering your child for City of Pleasanton's Youth Basketball program (PYB). The program is the largest of its kind in the area and provides a wonderful opportunity to Pleasanton residents only. Please note, if your child is in high school, the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) states "a student on a high school team becomes ineligible if the student competes in a contest on an "outside" team, in the same sport, during the student's high school season of sport." Please check with your child's Athletic Director if you are unsure of this rule.

Participation in youth sports plays a valuable role in the development of our children. Characteristics of teamwork, dedication, discipline, self-esteem and positive attitudes all contribute to their growth and development. The City of Pleasanton aims to provide quality programs that provide a meaningful experience and build essential life skills. PYB stresses the promotion of team play while teaching skills and creating an atmosphere of sportsmanship.

Pleasanton Youth Basketball is a **recreational** youth program. Standings are not kept. The emphasis of the league is on playing time. We ask that parents remember to set a positive example for your child and other players at all times.

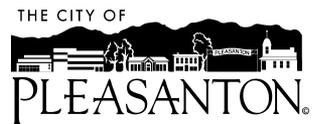
Enthusiastic volunteer coaches are crucial to the success of the program. It is only a two (2) hour per week time commitment and is very rewarding and fun! Please visit www.pleasantonsports.org or contact us directly if you or someone you know is interested in coaching.

If you are unable to volunteer, please remember that your child's coach is taking time out of their schedule to coach and develop a team. For that reason, practice times are assigned based on the coach's availability. Each team will practice one night per week for 45-60 minutes. All games and practices will be at one of the three middle schools in Pleasanton.

If at anytime you have questions or concerns regarding your child's experience, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

Pleasanton Sports Staff
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Parent Code of Conduct & Expectations

- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for the youth participants, not adults.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; verbal or physical threats; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not engage, or encourage my child or any other person to engage, in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- I will treat, and ensure my child treats, any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, game play or ability.
- I will not initiate, and will not tolerate my child initiating a verbal or physical fight, abuse, negative comments or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- I will not embarrass my child by calling attention to him/her through loud or rude behavior.
- I will encourage my child to practice good sportsmanship.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of all the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game, and will take time to speak with coaches privately at an agreed upon time if I have an issue or concern.
- I will ensure my child arrives to practice and games on time with proper attire.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Safety Regulations:

- No food or drink permitted inside the gym (water ok).
- No climbing on gym bleachers or other equipment.
- Officials will control all games from any intentional rough play.
- No jewelry is permitted to be worn by players, including earrings.

Sportsmanship & Conduct:

- PYB tradition calls for teams and coaches shaking hands at game conclusion.
- Adverse spectator reaction will not be tolerated. Violators will be asked to leave the facility.

Required Equipment:

- Each player will be given a game jersey. The jersey must be worn during every game. The jersey is kept by the player at the end of the season.
- Players must wear basketball shoes, or non-floor marking shoes.

IMPORTANT DATES

Activity	Dates
First Practice	11/17-11/21
First Game	12/6*
Game 2	12/13
Game 3	1/10
Game 4	1/17
Picture Day	1/24
Game 5	1/24
Game 6	1/31
Game 7	2/7
Final Game	2/21
*Half the teams will play on 12/6. Those not playing on 12/6 will play a week-day evening game the week of 12/15.	
If you haven't heard from your coach by November 12th, please contact us.	
<u>No Game Dates:</u> 12/20, 12/2, 1/3, & 2/14	
<u>No Practice the Weeks of:</u> 11/24, 12/15, 12/22, & 12/29	

For further information on PYB rules and game schedules, please visit www.teamsideline.com/pleasanton.