

## **REFUND POLICY**

Hudson Youth Basketball

To better serve our members and participants, Hudson Youth Basketball has set the following guidelines on refunds for our program. To request a refund for a sports program, go online to [hybtx.com/contact](http://hybtx.com/contact). This will then be sent to the board of directors, where a decision will be made as to whether to move forward with the refund and how much of the cost will be refunded.

Refunds will not be assessed for programs due to the following:

- Unhappy with team assignment
- Weather cancellations
- Request not honored
- Unruly behavior

If a refund is given, the amount of money that is refunded is contingent on how much of the season has passed as well as the reason for the refund.

Refunds that are awarded will be returned in one of three ways:

- System Credit – If the participant will be registering for another program in the coming months, a system credit can be placed into our database to allow those funds to be used for future payments for registrations or events.
- Credit Card Return – If a participant paid for the registration in question using a card, the amount will be returned to that card's account. We are unable to cut a check for any registration paid via a credit or debit card.
- Check – If a participant paid for the registration in question using a check or cash, a check will be issued to the participant. This process can take up to 2-3 weeks.

Refunds can only be requested by participants listed on the player's registration. Credit Card returns will only go back on the card originally used to pay for the program. Checks will only be sent to the address listed on the unit.

HYB will not give refunds or prorated fees for missed practices or games due to a participant registering for a program late.

## **HUDSON YOUTH BASKETBALL CODE OF CONDUCT**

A-1. The Hudson Youth Basketball (HYB) Code of Conduct will be strictly enforced on the playing court at all times. Responsibility to enforce the code of conduct lies with each team's coaching staff as it relates to players and support staff, as well as his or her spectators. Any member of the coaching staff or a board member may bring an infraction of the code of conduct to the attention of a Division Commissioner or the board member on duty. In extreme circumstances two or more board members may immediately enforce the code of conduct, subject to review by the full board. The code is inclusive of the following:

A-2. Parents, friends, spectators, players, coaching staffs and board members are expected to be courteous and set an example for good sportsmanship at all times:

- a. All players are to be treated equally, and no player will be discriminated against on the basis of gender, ethnicity, race, or religion.
- b. The spirit of competition, fun, and hard work will be promoted within a positive atmosphere.
- c. Differing opinions will be voiced respectfully and openly without fear of repercussions; derogatory statements shall not be expressed in the presence of any athlete, regardless of division.
- d. Be supportive during practices, games, and league events at all times.
- e. HYB's Board of Directors and its members will promote academics as its top priority, even though, maintaining a particular grade point average is not mandatory.

A-3. HYB does not tolerate profanity, violence, or sexually offensive gestures by any coach, player, parent, spectator, referee, or board member on the playing or practice grounds.

- a. Any instance of profanity or violence by any person can be handled by immediate ejection by the referee or board member. If a coach or player fails to leave the court and comply with an ejection penalty, that will result in forfeiture. Further action by the Board of Directors may also result.
- b. Any individual (coach, player, parent, friend, spectator, or board member) suspected of using alcohol, illegal drugs or gambling will be asked to leave by any referee or any other board member. Further action by the Board of Directors may also result.

A-4. Smoking is also prohibited. The smoker will be asked to extinguish the item. Failure to comply or a second infraction will be cause for ejection. We will support the Hudson Independent School District (HISD) policy of maintaining a tobacco free environment.

A-5. Criticism of board members, coaching staffs or game officials must not be directed to players on any team by any spectators, board member or other members of the coaching staff.

### **SECTION B DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

#### **General Membership**

B-1. Any derogatory or inflammatory statements made by an individual, directed at any team, team member, coach, opposing spectator, board member or referee will result in an immediate warning to the violator and immediately thereafter a warning to the appropriate team coaching staff. A second derogatory statement or remark will result in the immediate expulsion from the game or the gymnasium. If in the opinion of the referee a first derogatory statement is so inflammatory, expulsion can result.

B-2. Any participant who denigrates or insults a player will be cautioned one time per game by the referee. A second infraction will be cause for ejection.

B-3. In the event any parent, member of the coaching staff or player is ejected for any reason it will be the responsibility of the head coach of the team, which the ejected individual is associated with, to notify the Division Commissioner within 24 hours of the incident. Failure to notify the Division Commissioner will result in further disciplinary action.

B-4. All disciplinary hearings and/or matters brought to the Board of Directors or any portion of the Board of Directors shall be handled in this manner:

- a. The Board of Directors will have up to 72 hours to inform all involved parties intent to assemble to review the matter.
- b. All involved parties must be willing to meet with the Board of Directors at the first available opportunity to resolve the matter posthaste. Involved parties will have up to 48 hours to accept the invitation to the review. A date will be established.
- c. During the review, each side will be allowed fifteen minutes to present their views. Any parties electing not to appear, after accepting and invitation to appear, shall forfeit their right to present their case.
- d. The involved parties will leave the meeting room before the vote.
- f. Appointed board members will notify the involved parties of the board's decision within 24 hours of the decision.
- g. All board decisions are final.

B-5. Any disciplinary action decision may extend up to twelve months from the date of the infraction.

#### **Coaches**

B-6. Any member of the coaching staff ejected from a game must leave the playing court and not return until the end of his or her ejection and/or suspension. A first ejection is subject to board review for further disciplinary action. A second ejection will result in a minimum one game suspension. The member of the coaching staff is placed on probation subject to board review for further disciplinary action. A third ejection may result in the member of the coaching staff's suspension for up to twelve months.

B-7. Any member of the coaching staff failing to implement board decisions may be subject to disciplinary action by the board.

B-8. Members of the coaching staff on probation may be replaced at the discretion of the board.

#### **Players**

B-9. All present and active players are required to play one uninterrupted quarter for all preseason and regular season games. Failure to play all active players one uninterrupted quarter will result in forfeiture of the game.

B-10. An "inactive" status will be tagged to a player after deliberation between the coach of said player, division commissioner, and the board of directors.

B-11. A status of "inactive" may be tagged to a player that:

- a. Regularly fails to show up to team practices and / or games
- b. Fails to provide payment of registration costs
- c. Fails to exhibit positive sportsmanlike behavior.

B-12. During the season, a player may not quit a team and be picked up by another team.

B-13. Every player must be registered, and have current and past due league fees paid prior to the draft. No exceptions.

B-14. Players can play in only one (1) division at a time.

### **SECTION C - UNIFORMS**

C-1. Uniforms will be issued prior to the first preseason game. No uniforms will be worn prior to the opening weekend.

C-2. Players must be in official uniform at all games. Official uniform consists of matching jersey, shorts and proper shoes. If the player appears on the court out of uniform, the player will not be allowed to play, except when a jersey and shorts have not been issued. The jersey must be tucked into shorts and the number must be clearly visible to officials. A color coordinated short sleeve undershirt can be worn, which must match the color of the jersey side being worn. Wearing an undershirt is at the discretion of the coach.

C-3. Players not in uniform may not be allowed to participate in a game at the discretion of the coach and/or Division Commissioner.

C-4. Players on the game floor with any type of jewelry or hair ornaments will be asked to remove the item in a timely manner or not be permitted to play in games until requested item is removed.

### **SECTION D: SAFETY AND FACILITIES**

D-1. Each team is required to donate clean-up time on the courts and in and outside of the gym whenever they are on any school property. At the conclusion of all practices and games, each player is mandated to pick up trash and litter. Use of WCUSD property is a privilege not a right. As part of WCYBL, Inc. commitment to civic pride, in recognition of the benefits whenever we use school property, and as a measure of gratitude to the school for allowing us the use of bathroom facilities, we agree to enforce this provision.

D-2. The home team of the last game of the day will be responsible for cleaning the bleachers and assisting Safety and Facilities in any other duties.

D-3. The visiting team of the last game of the day will be responsible for picking up loose trash on the floor and around the perimeter of the gym, and assisting Safety and Facilities in any other duties. The Assistant Coach will tack (clean) the gym floor.

D-4. Any team found guilty of not meeting this requirement faces disciplinary actions by the board which may include suspension of practice courts or further steps to and including probation of the coach.

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR MINOR PARTICIPANTS

### READ BEFORE AGREEING

IN CONSIDERATION OF my child/ward, being allowed to participate in any way in the related events and activities of Hudson Youth Basketball, I acknowledge and agree that:

The risk of injury to my child from the activities involved in these programs is significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,

1. FOR MYSELF, SPOUSE, AND CHILD, I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my child's participation; and,
2. I willingly agree to comply with the program's stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If I observe any unusual significant concern in my child's readiness for participation and/or in the program itself, I will remove my child from the participation and bring such attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
3. I myself, my spouse, my child, and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS Hudson Youth Basketball and its directors, officers, officials, agents, employees, volunteers, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property incident to my child's involvement or participation in these programs, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I, for myself, my spouse, my child, and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS all the above Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my involvement or participation in these programs, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
5. I, the parent/guardian, assert that I have explained to my child/ward: the risks of the activity, his/her responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations, and that my child/ward understands this agreement.

I, FOR MYSELF, MY SPOUSE, AND CHILD/WARD, HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

I understand the seriousness of the risks involved in participating in this program, my personal responsibilities for adhering to rules and regulations, and accept them as a participant.

I will furnish a certified birth certificate for all players I am registering upon request of league officials.

I understand there will be an entrance fee charged at all games.