

The Indiana Elementary Basketball By Laws Local Rules – 2017-18 Season

Mission

It is the mission of the Indiana Elementary Basketball Booster (IEBB) to provide a structured basketball environment for its participants in which dedicated and skilled coaches will work to develop sound fundamental basketball skills for all its participants and provide a competitive playing environment in which travel teams will be established to participate in various tournaments and/or leagues. It is also the mission of the IEBB to ultimately prepare its participants for the next step of their basketball careers, which would be the Junior High level of basketball.

Organization

The IEBB has been in formal existence since January 23, 2014. The organization is made up of a committee of seven (7) individual board members and various team coaches (board members could also be coaches). Board meetings will be held as needed by request.

Any and all decisions made by the IEBB are presented and made by the seven board members. Decisions are made and granted based on a majority vote by the board (4 of 7 members). Decisions made at the board level are final and include all administrative and/or financial decisions related to the IEBB and are made with the best interest of the booster's organization as a whole. Board members will stay in term until such time that they choose to exit on a volunteer basis or are replaced. All new board members will be voted upon by the current board members before being granted the position.

IEBB/Guidance

The following is a set of rules the IEBB strives to follow. The below list may not be all inclusive and can be subject to change at any time at the discretion of the board.

- Player eligibility is based on the grade level the participant is in during the current tournament season. The League Boundaries include: Indiana Area School District students only. Players can request to play up a grade level; however, they will not be permitted to play down a grade level.
- There will be six up to (6) teams sponsored and funded by the IEBB. The teams will consist of girls and boy's team's grades 4 through 6. In the event there are several skilled participants showing interest in basketball during any given year, additional teams may be considered (e.g. 3rd grade level).

- Coaches are strongly encouraged to select a minimum of 10 players per each travel team unless there are not enough participants that come out for a particular grade level. In the event a coach chooses to keep less than 10 players despite their being enough participants, an explanation must be given to the board and voted upon before it is allowed.
- Any player(s) requesting to play up a grade level must first obtain approval from the IEBB before doing so. Playing up is not recommended by the IEBB; however, there are circumstances where it may be needed, especially in those instances where there are not enough kids to play at a particular grade level.
- All players chosen for tournament teams should be chosen based on their ability to participate in competitive tournaments. There could be times additional teams are funded by the IEBB to compete in leagues (rather than tournaments). This will be done in situations where there are big turnouts (e.g. 3rd grade level) to help develop new kids entering the program.
- The primary funding source of the IEBB is through running our annual skills and drills program and by hosting an annual elementary basketball tournament. All coaches and board members are required to dedicate their time during both these events. The date, cost and location for these events will be determined on an annual basis.
- Any player selected to play on a travel team should have first attended the skills and drills program. In the event a coach wants to add or select a player for the travel team who did not attend skills and drills, it must first be presented to the IEBB Board for approval.
- Coaches will be voted upon by the IEBB board prior to selection and are expected to conduct a minimum of two practices a week and four tournaments (or a league) per season. Coaches will be asked to obtain certain clearances to ensure they have sufficient backgrounds and clearances to work with children. Coaches will also be evaluated by the IEBB board throughout the season and any negative issues arising due to a coaches action(s) or any deviations from these by laws made by a coach resulting in negativity for the IEBB will be addressed and evaluated by the board and could result in the dismissal of the coach.
- Team coaches can choose up to two assistants to help them throughout the year. The assistant coaches must provide their required clearances to work with children.
- Coaches do not have to pay travel team/skills and drills fees for any of their own kids playing on the team they coach.
- Playing time is at the discretion of the coaches; however, no player should sit for an entire game. Coaches of fourth grade teams are strongly encouraged to play all

members of their travel teams as much as possible to keep them developing. As the grade level increases, expectations and playing time can be adjusted accordingly; however, as mentioned previously, every player should get into every game of the season.

- All team equipment and uniforms will be provided by the boosters.
- Each team coach will be granted an annual monetary budget which can be used to cover the costs of various leagues and/or tournaments. The budget granted will be determined by the board.
- Each coach will be granted gym time by the board. Gym time will be distributed as equitably as possible; however, preference will be given to the older teams in the event there is not sufficient gym time available.

Current members of the IEBB Board:

Dennis Bonatch
Penny Zimmerman
Scott Homer
Bryan Martin
Dave Brocious
Dan Antonacci
Jessica Peterson

Medical release form

Medical Authority Statement

I, undersigned by parent / guardian, do hereby grant permission for my child to attend basketball practices, games and events sponsored by and conducted by Coaches and Assistants and the Indiana Basketball Boosters. In order for my child to receive the necessary medical treatment in the event of any injury or illness, I give authority to obtain medical treatment for my child for such injury or illness during any event. And hereby hold all Coaches and Assistants and the Indiana Basketball Boosters harmless in the exercise of this authority.

I further acknowledge, understand and agree that in participating in these events, there is a possibility of physical injury or illness and that my child is assuming the risk of such injury or illness by their participation.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT / GUARDIAN _____

PRINTED NAME OF PARENT / GUARDIAN _____

DATE _____

Waiver and Release Form

I, undersigned by parent / guardian, do hereby grant permission for my child to attend basketball practices, games and events sponsored by and conducted by all Coaches and their Assistants and the Indiana Basketball Boosters. I hereby acknowledge that by attending and participation in football instruction, practices, games and events there is a possibility of physical illness or injury to my child. I do hereby for myself and all others who might have a similar claim waive, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages, which may arise now or in the future against all Coaches and their Assistants and the Indiana Basketball Boosters and the Indiana Area School District for any and all damages which my child may sustain or suffer while attending and participating in practices, games and events.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT / GUARDIAN _____

PRINTED NAME OF PARENT / GUARDIAN _____

DATE _____