

Philosophy of the Boys Basketball Southwest League

1. All boys in grades 4th through 8th, who do not make the A or B or C Travel teams for their grade, are eligible. NO TRAVEL TEAM MEMBERS are eligible to play in this league. p

2. Each community may have teams in grades 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. The boys will be evaluated on their skill level and drafted into teams. The teams will be comprised of equal numbers of players and talent will be distributed with the intent to create evenly competitive teams, Refer to the following draft and friend request policy for more information:

[EPBBA Friend and Draft Request Policy](#)

3. Prior to the start of the game, officials and coaches will meet to discuss boundary areas, special rules, etc.

4. It is expected that all players will play equal game time unless there are situations that fall under #5.

5. At the start of each game the coaches must tell the officials and the coach of the opposing team if there are players that are unable to play equal time due to injuries, illness, or missed practice(s).

6. At the conclusion of the game, all players and coaches are required to line up for a handshake.

7. **No game or call protests will be allowed.** The decision on all calls rests with the Officials. Should any coach have a problem with any call or enforcement of a rule, the concern should be taken to their commissioner and not the officials. Coaches will be held responsible for the behavior of the team's fans.

8. **Coaches or parents are not allowed to disrupt a game.** Arguing about calls or rules by coaches and parents will not be tolerated. Above all, everyone should use good judgment and remember the example that is being set for our youth.

9. **Coaches and players represent their respective cities and should model behavior that represents quality sportsmanship in this context.** This is a recreational league to allow boys the chance to advance their skills for future play.