

2015 – 2016

Jordan High School



Boys Basketball

PARENT/COACH COMMUNICATION

Parent/Coach Relationship

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations, and fortunately I have had the pleasure to do both. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the other and provide greater benefit to children. As parents, when your children become involved in our program, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from the coach of your child's program.

Communication You Should Expect From Your Child's Coach

1. Philosophy of the coach.
2. Expectations the coach has for your child as well as all the players on the squad.
3. Locations and times of all practices and contests.
4. Team requirements, i.e. rules, paperwork, equipment, off-season conditioning.
5. The procedure followed should your child be injured during participation.
6. Discipline resulting in the denial of your child's participation.

Communication Coaches Expect From Parents

1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
2. Notification of any schedule conflicts week in advance.
3. Specific concern in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As your children become involved in the program at Jordan, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there also may be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times discussion with the coach is encouraged.

JORDAN PANTERS BASKETBALL ATHLETIC REGULATIONS AND EXPECTATIONS

It is the desire of the administration and coaching staff of Jordan High School that being a Student -Athlete will hopefully be one of the highlights of his High School career. Being a Jordan Panther Basketball Player will be a privilege, and is one that will carry with it many responsibilities. As a Jordan Panther basketball player, our young people have an image to reflect. That image is one of positive leadership, character, responsibility, and great competitive spirit.

No student is required to take part in the contest or activities. Therefore, it is imperative that all students taking part in the program understand the following athletic regulations and conform to the rules therein, and that the coaches of the sport or activity shall have every right to remove these privileges. The following guideline will be in effect for all basketball players at Jordan High School in order to be eligible to participate in any game, practice, or program directly related to the basketball program, must maintain a 2.30 g.p.a.

On the Field or Court

The Student-Athlete must refrain from the use of profanity or resorting to illegal tactics. He must learn that both winning and losing are a part of the game and that you have to be a good loser as well as a gracious winner. Temper fits, flagrant violations of rules, etc., will not be tolerated. Total respect to officials is an absolute must. The coach will discuss any calls made by officials. Any behavior contrary to the above mentioned or any other act, which is not conducive to good sportsmanship, may result in removal from the contest.

Disrespect to Teacher or Coach

Any act of disrespect by an athlete to his/her teacher, coach, or member of school administration will be handled on an individual basis.

The head coach will discipline violators. Punishment will be in accordance with Jordan High School Conduct for Extracurricular Activity Involvement.

Appropriate Concerns To Discuss with Coaches

1. The treatment of your child, mentally and physically.
2. Ways to help your child.
3. Concerns about your child's behavior.

It is very difficult to accept your child's not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are professionals. They make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be the best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain things can be and should be discussed with your child's coach. Other things, such as those in the following sections must be left to the discretion of the coach.

Issues Not Appropriate To Discuss With Coaches

1. Playing time
2. Team strategy
3. Play calling.
4. Other student-athletes.

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the others position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote resolution to the issue of concern.

Game Day Policies

- Be on time for departure. Or Bus will leave without YOU!
- Travel gear will be worn to Away Games (varsity). Dress clothes will be worn to school when we have Home Games.
- Players are expected to be in the gym cheering when your team is not playing. Support our program!
- Pick up after yourself in all gyms and locker rooms.
- Grooming and personal appearance must meet LBUSD policy.
- No hats or any other type of head gear will be worn while representing the basketball program.

Practice Policy

An athlete should always consult his coach before missing practice and leaving campus. Missing practice or a game without good reason will be dealt with according to each coach's individual rules (Illness or a family emergency would be a good reason for missing a practice or a game). Communication with coaches should be a priority.

- Players are expected to notify their coach prior to any missed practice. All missed practices will be made up.
- Schedule appointments, vacations, and college visits outside of school, tournaments, practice, or game time.
- Be on time all the time!
- Issued practice gear will be worn at all times.
- There is no substitute for hard work. "Playing hard beats talent that doesn't play hard."
- Be coachable. We are here to help you reach your potential. Accept constructive criticism.
- Encourage your teammates.
- Have Fun!!! Hard work doesn't feel like work when you love what you do.
- Practices are for coaches and players only.
- If you are injured, you are expected to see the trainer. Injured players are expected to be at practice. Unless getting treatment.

Dear Parents, Family and Friends of Jordan,

Student athletes in the LBUSD play an invaluable role in the success of our schools. They represent not only Jordan, but they also represent their families and their community. They are expected to be successful academically, to compete effectively on the court and to act in a mature and responsible manner at all times. For this they deserve our support, respect, and appreciation.

Although at all LBUSD schools we always compete to win, there are times when we will not be victorious. Though we may not win every contest, our student athletes still benefit from accomplishing previously established team and individual goals. The coaches and student members of our team are expected to display good sportsmanship at all times. Those of us who support them by attending their contests should display good sportsmanship as well. Officials and members of the opposing team should support our players and coaches in an effort to never criticize officiating nor to intimidate or harass opposing players and coaches.

The C.I.F, the organization responsible for supervising and conducting all public school athletic, academic requires that schools provide an appropriate environment for all contests, including the demonstration of good sportsmanship by participants as well as fans. If there is a serious problem with a fan or participant, the school is required to do whatever is necessary to resolve the problem, even so far as removing the responsible party from the activity. We ask that each of you do your part to make sure that the LBUSD has the reputation of a school district that competes to win, has great fan support and is completely committed to ideas of good sportsmanship.

When you feel like yelling at an official or opposing player, channel that energy into yelling encouragement to our players and our team. Be positive and supportive of all participants and in doing so make sure everyone views LBUSD for what it is, the best District in the State of California. Thanks for all you do to support the LBUSD and your student.

Sincerely,

James McDonald
Boys Basketball Coach