

Atlanta NETS
(Nurturing Excellence Through Sports)

Parent and Player Handbook



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WELCOME

This booklet is designed to provide the parents and players with an overview of the Atlanta NETS Basketball Program. We would like to welcome you to the Atlanta NETS Basketball Program. We are looking forward to the first season of the Atlanta NETS Basketball Association and working with your child. You will be asked to make sacrifices and give all you can possibly give to this program. This means you will practice hard and encourage others to do the same. Hard work translates into success. Our number one goal is to build a strong tradition with this program. We don't just want to win, but to win with honor and respect for the game. We will pursue victory with honor and represent ourselves, our schools, and our communities with nothing but class.

MISSION STATEMENT

Atlanta Nets (Nurturing Excellence Through Sports) MISSION STATEMENT:

To use sports to nurture the inner student-athlete in scholastics, athletics to gain overall personal success.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Atlanta Nets Basketball employs many coaching and counseling techniques that are designed to teach players to be competitive, hardworking athletes. Our players will be expected to hustle after every loose ball, play tough defenses, play as a team, and compete every single time on the court. Atlanta Nets Basketball is not all about winning. We take pride in teaching our players basketball fundamentals and how to play the game the correct way.

Atlanta Nets searches for hardworking players, who want to improve, play aggressively and compete against high-quality competition. We emphasize individual player improvement, team play, long-term friendships and sportsmanship.

PURPOSE OF THIS HANDBOOK

The purpose of this handbook is to familiarize both parents and players with Atlanta Nets Basketball, and to create expectations for the Atlanta Nets Basketball experience. For our program to be successful, the rules of this Handbook must be followed and will be enforced. We want to be known as one of the finest youth basketball programs available, and players' and parents' adherence to a Code of Conduct will help us reach this goal. We hope this Handbook will answer many of the questions that you may have. If you have questions or concerns that are not addressed in this Handbook, please contact:

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OUR GOALS

Atlanta Nets Basketball has two main goals. The first goal is to provide quality instruction in all aspects of the game. This instruction will include both skill building but also the development of self-discipline, dedication, and confidence in each athlete, qualities that will assist them as they progress through life. The second goal is to prepare those players that have the desire, athletic ability and academic standing to play at the high school and collegiate level. We believe that a competitive athletic experience can enhance social development, contribute to mental and physical health and teach the values of teamwork and responsibility. We are proud of the opportunity that we offer, and we feel the players involved will receive a positive experience.

Our program is dedicated to providing all athletes with the opportunity to be successful. Playing basketball with Atlanta Nets requires a strong commitment to the game, the team, and your teammates. It is important that everyone involved understands that each coach is willing to make this commitment in order for our athletes to become the best basketball players they can be.

Participation in the Atlanta Nets Basketball program requires time, effort and financial resources, but we feel that it is well worth the investment. After your experience with us, we hope you and your athlete will agree.

OUR COMMITMENT

Atlanta Nets will be a 7 to 8 month commitment to basketball. There will be two opportunities to participate on an Atlanta Nets basketball team:

Winter - The winter season will run from November through February.

Spring/Summer - The spring/summer season will run from March through July.

PARENT COMMITMENT

Your commitment to Atlanta Nets includes not only the financial obligation to honor the payment plan provided and agreed to at tryouts, but to honor team commitment as well. You must make a responsible and reasonable commitment to practices, tournaments, travel, and team functions. The Atlanta Nets asks the same commitment of all of our members.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Atlanta Nets evaluates prospective players at both formal tryouts as well as in other environments. Players are evaluated on attitude, teamwork, and how they execute basic basketball skills such as defense, ball handling, shooting, etc. We base our selections on how the athlete performs during an evaluation and what we perceive their potential to be. We select athletes based on the following criteria (in no particular order): athletic ability, work ethic, drive, coachability, competitive attitude, skill ability, and potential.

After your athlete has been placed on a team, Atlanta Nets reserves the right to move them to a different team at any time during the season to continue to improve the level of play for all considered. This means that a player may be added to a team during the season, or that a player may be asked to move to another team to better match the player with the appropriate team.

PARENT/PLAYER/COACH RELATIONSHIP

Atlanta Nets Basketball believes that great coaching is at the core of a great basketball program. All of our coaches have been selected because we believe they are qualified and bring unique talents to our program and our kids. One of the most important aspects of coaching youth sports is having good communications between players and their parents.

We understand that basketball can be an emotional sport and sometimes parents are prone to issue instructions to their player from the stands. If these instructions are contrary to those of the coach, this will only cause confusion for the player. Please encourage your athlete to follow their coach's instructions and leave the coaching to the coach. We believe that parents need to align themselves with the coach in teaching their player how to cope with the natural frustrations of being a member of a team. Sports provide an excellent opportunity to teach young athletes about the realities of competitive situations. They must be taught how to be a cooperative team member, how to make use of both positive and negative feedback, how to cope with adversity, how to achieve mental toughness, and how to be a gracious winner or loser.

When a player has a concern, parents have the responsibility of teaching their athlete the steps necessary to remedy the situation. Absent situations involving safety or player abuse, the following steps should be taken if a player has a concern with the coach:

Step One: The player should discuss the problem/concern with the coach and try to arrive at a solution to the problem. (This may not be appropriate for younger kids)

Step Two: The parent should contact the Assistant Director and schedule appointment for the player, parent and coach to meet at an appropriate time (**See Grievance Policy below**).

Under no circumstances is a parent to approach a coach with a complaint or an evaluation of coaching philosophy. The above procedure must be followed in dealing with any situation that may arise.

The parents and families of our Atlanta Nets players have been very supportive in the past, and we hope that support will continue to grow each year. We hope that parents support their athlete(s) by attending their games and giving positive encouragement. We expect you to refrain from criticizing your child, their teammates, their coaches, or the officials.

The administration of the Atlanta Nets will NOT ALLOW THE COACHES OR PLAYERS TO BE BERATED by parents or fellow teammates. If you or your athletes refuse to follow the guidelines set forth, you will be asked to leave the program.

FACILITIES

The Atlanta Nets may practice at a number of Community Centers/Recs and Schools in the Douglas County Area.

WEBSITE

The Atlanta Nets website is www.atlantanets.com the website will contain rosters, tournament schedule, game times, tournament locations, game recaps and more.

PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT/RESPONSIBILITIES

Atlanta Nets Basketball is committed to all of its players exercising good sportsmanship at all times. Our program philosophy is that our athletes should represent their team in a positive and respectful manner. We also would not want spectators to embarrass our players and the team with inappropriate behavior. In addition to the above Code of Conduct, all spectators are expected to adhere to the following:

1. Players will treat the coaching staff respectfully at all times and also shall display the utmost respect for opposing players and coaches.
2. Players shall exhibit the highest respect for game officials and/or event staff. Players will never question an official or express your feelings at a call. Officials are part of the game. Officials have to right to remove a player from a game for bad behavior. Any ejection from a game could result in a GAME SUSPENSION. It your job as a player to overcome adversity whether it is the opposing team, the physical facilities or the officials. Never talk back or show up an official. Remember being an official is not an easy job and mistakes happen.
3. Players shall maintain a "C" average or above throughout the academic school year and shall always place academic success over athletic success.
4. Players shall always value character over winning. Players shall be exemplary models on and off the court and remain aware that they are representatives of Atlanta Nets Basketball at all times. While traveling to and from athletic facilities, players should project a positive image in their appearance and conduct. If any violence arises before, during, or after a game may result in the police being notified and could be grounds for immediate suspension. Players shall also respect transportation resources, hotel rooms, and gym facilities. They shall be personally responsible for any damage.
5. Players will respect the game of basketball and give it their all during practice and games. Players are required to arrive 10 minutes prior to practice, 30 minutes prior to a game or as otherwise directed by your coach.
6. Poor conduct such as: foul language, physical or verbal intimidation of any individual, fighting with other teams/players, or vocal outbursts are not permitted.
7. Players will **demonstrate sportsmanship**. Play fair. Set an example. Rise above poor behavior. The way in which you conduct yourself has a long lasting effect on everybody around you. That's what practicing good sportsmanship is all about.
8. Players will value the instruction of your coach. You may think your coach is the best, the worst or somewhere in between. It makes no difference. If you're on the team, your job is to listen attentively to what your coach is saying. Coaches volunteer their time to work with your team. Don't waste that time.
9. Players will be committed to being a team player, always remembering "we" goes a lot further than "I". Players will appreciate your teammates. Every player on your team has certain strengths and weaknesses. Be patient with your teammates as they improve their games — just as they will be patient with you improving your game. Basketball is a team sport. Success can only come when the entire team works and plays well together.
10. Players will take care of your uniform. Cost for replacing any lost or damaged uniform will be the responsibility of the player and his/her parents. Failure to pay replacement costs may result in an ineligibility to play.

Enjoy the journey! Win or lose, enjoy every moment on the court both during the games and during practice. Basketball should be challenging, tiring, hard work and fun.

PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT/RESPONSIBILITIES

As with our players, parents also represent the Atlanta Nets. We expect parents to act with a higher set of standards than we expect from our players. Parents are the role models.

1. Act as a leader. Leaders are people whose actions inspire others. A leader treats their children's teammates, your peers, the coaches, opponents and officials in the same manner you would like to be treated. That means respect, dignity, and total sportsmanship at all times. If you set the example the players will follow the example you set.
2. Do not draw attention from the players. Youth basketball is for the kids. If you find yourself becoming too emotionally involved in what's happening on the court, take a step back and relax.
3. Value your child's commitment. Get your kids to practice and games on time. Make sure they have their uniform and sneakers. Help them eat and drink right before, during and after the game. The more your children see you acting responsibly, the more they will do the same.
4. Act in a respectful manner. Nothing is better for a young player than having their parents on hand to watch them play. And nothing is worse for a player than hearing a parent using foul language, booing, taunting, screaming or making comments at, or about, players, coaches, fans or officials (that includes your team as well as your opponent). Our coaches will happily address any concerns, including those pertaining to officials or opposing coaches. Parents should also know that the officials in all tournaments have the right to remove any athlete, coach or spectator from the game premises. The Atlanta Nets Board reserves the right to ban any athlete, coach or spectator from future games if deemed necessary.
5. Never question an official or express your feelings at a call vocally. Officials are part of the game. Parents should demonstrate proper behavior to the players. It is not the parent's job (or the players) to officiate the game. Accept the call and move on. Remember being an official is not an easy job and mistakes happen and are part of the game.
6. Total motivation through confidence. Try and identify a positive from every game or practice to help build confidence. A young player's sense of achievement is the greatest motivator. Don't analyze your young player's performance following every game. They know how they played and if you give them the opportunity and situation they will open up to you. If you do, chances are they will avoid talking to you at all after games or worse yet, not want you at the games at all. Let your children come to you for advice.
7. Atlanta Nets teams will be coached by knowledgeable coaches. We will not tolerate any shouting of directions from parents and/or fans. Hearing multiple sets of instructions confuses players in a game. Children are easily distracted and usually do not perform as well when parents/fans scream directions from the stands.
8. Good communication is key. If you must, talk with the coach after the game. Or better yet, wait until the next day if you have an issue to discuss. Let the heat of the moment pass. Never make a scene in front of the team, as it's embarrassing for you, your children and the coach. And chances are nothing will get resolved. If the issue cannot be resolved with the coach, please voice complaint with Atlanta Nets Assistant Director so that the complaint can be brought before the Atlanta Nets Board.
9. Maintain your child's uniform. Cost for replacing any lost or damaged uniform will be the PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY. Failure to pay replacement costs may result in an ineligibility to play.
10. Enjoy the journey and put winning and losing into perspective. Games have winners and losers. Keep reminding your child about this reality and the need to deal with both outcomes.

PLAYING TIME

We know that all players want to play and many concerns by players and parents involve the amount of playing time that is allocated to the player. The following sets our general philosophy on playing time.

- Playing time is not guaranteed, is not equal and must be earned.
- Playing time is based on the player's performance at practice. If you are not at practice, for whatever reason, it is difficult to earn playing time.

Your coach will determine who plays and how much. They will take into account many factors in coming to that decision but the decision is theirs.

- Parents are always welcome to watch practice: however, leave the coaching to the coaches.
- Be on time!

PRACTICES

Practice is mandatory for all players.

- It will usually be two or three times per week. They will last normally for 1 to 2 hours.
- You will be notified of practice times and locations by your coaches or Team Manager. We will make every effort to not change practice times and locations: however, things happen!! Please be flexible and cooperative.
- If a player must miss a practice, the parent must contact the coaches or team mom as soon as possible. Players who miss practice are missing valuable information and potentially may have their playing time affected by consistent absences or tardiness.
- All players should arrive at least 10 minutes prior to the scheduled practice time, to enable them to stretch and be ready to go at the appointed time.
- We encourage parents to stay at practice but please do not disrupt or interfere during the session.
- Please pick up your player promptly at the end of practice.

CLOTHING

- The NETS uniform (jersey and shorts) must be worn to all Games, but not to practice (except picture day). Shorts, T-shirt or tank top, and basketball shoes should be worn to practice.
- Please label every item wore with your player's name and contact information.
- Each player must provide their own basketball shoes.

BASKETBALLS (size basketball used for age groups)

- 27.5 for boys up to 7U
- 28.5 for boys 8U to 11U
- 29 for boys 12U and up

GAME DAY

- All players must arrive by the designated arrival time.
- All players must be in complete uniform before beginning pre-game warm up and team stretch.
- During the game, all players should be focused on the task at hand, The Game.
- If not physically in the game, players are to remain mentally in the game at all times.
- All players are expected to run on and off the court during player substitutions and time outs.
- Verbally supporting your teammates is strongly encouraged.

POST-GAME

- At the conclusion of each game, players are to form a single line (with their coaches and teammates) and shake hands with the opposing team.
- After shaking hands, players will proceed to an area designated by their coach for a post-game meeting.

TOURNAMENT TEAM RULES

1. First and foremost, it is important to remember that each player and parent is representing Atlanta Nets Basketball when we play in local tournaments and travel to out-of-state events. Traveling with the team is an honor and must be respected.
2. The player is responsible for his/her uniform when attending tournaments. When traveling please make sure that your basketball bag with your uniform(s), shoes and any other items (i.e. contacts, braces, knee pads, etc.) required for you to play is packed, ready to go and in your possession when you get into your mode of transportation. It is a good idea to include extra socks and personal items in your bag.
3. Players are expected to wear appropriate clothing at all times.
4. Parents should hotel accommodations and coordinate travel arrangements with coaches.
5. No persons other than Atlanta Nets players, coaches, or family members are permitted inside a player's hotel room.
6. No player is allowed off hotel property without parent/coach/chaperone permission.
7. When traveling to tournaments we will attempt to travel together.
8. When we are traveling we will try to eat together and spend time together as a team.
9. Atlanta Nets Basketball is dedicated to developing all of our players, not only on the court but we also try and provide new and unique experiences. However, when traveling for tournaments please remember that our reason for being in a particular location is to play basketball. When possible we will try to schedule free time to allow the athletes to have fun.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Participating with Atlanta Nets takes a commitment from both the parents and the players. As an organization, we will try to conduct fundraising activities to keep cost to a minimum.

The organization understands that this is a difficult time for many families due to the economic climate. If your family is in a hardship situation, please contact the Treasurer to discuss your options regarding the above fees. Team fees will cover the cost gym rental fees, tournaments and leagues that your athlete will participate in throughout the season.

Player Fees:

- (Spring/Summer) \$600 (Returning Players) \$650 (New Players)
- Fees include the following:
 - Team Uniform (2 Jerseys and basketball shorts)
 - Shooting shirt
 - Slides
 - Bag
 - Two (2) 1 hour and 30 minute practice sessions each week
 - Tournaments/Spring League

Additional Tournament Fees: (If there are any)

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

Use or possession of tobacco, alcohol, and other harmful substances, and illegal use or possession of narcotics or habit-forming drugs is prohibited. It is the policy of the Mandan High School Boys Basketball program that if there is an infraction the athlete will be suspended for the remainder of the season.

NO SCHOOL

If school is cancelled due to bad weather, all activities may also be cancelled. This is a decision that will be made with the safety of the athlete in mind. The coach of your player's team will notify you or the player if there is a cancellation. We will do so through e-mail, phone calls, or a text message. If school is dismissed early due to bad weather, there will be no practice. In the event that bad weather is not the cause of in school cancellation, practices will be scheduled accordingly at the discretion of the head coach & athletic director.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Players/parents commit to the season and the fees for that season.
2. If a player quits their team before the end of the season for any reason, there are NO refunds.
3. If a player needs to miss for any reason, you must contact the coach and team manager ahead of time.

NUTRITION

The night before a Game, the athlete should eat a low fat, high carbohydrate meal, such as pasta, salad and fruit. The day of the Game, carbonated drinks, candy, milk products, and heavy, greasy food should be avoided, as they are hard to digest. Fruit juice, water, diluted sports drinks, and light foods are recommended for consumption during the Game.

- **Don't eat 1 to 2 hours before your event.** Running on a full stomach can cause problems. You need to eat, but plan it according to your event schedule.
- **Bring food.** Concession food is available, but the selection is limited and not as healthy as we'd like for our players.
- **Bring a water bottle.** You need to stay well hydrated to enable your body to work at its highest potential.

Snack Hints:

- These high-carbohydrate foods can be packed and taken along for snacks.
 - Breads, bagels and muffin
 - Crackers and pretzels
 - Oatmeal-raisin cookies
 - Fruit juices, or tomato or V-8 juices

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

1. What days do the kids practice?
Practices dates and times are provided weekly. We do everything we can to keep the days and times consistent.
2. When does the travel season start and end?
Usually runs from March 1st – July 30th
3. What are the different levels for travel ball?
Each tournament designates the level of play they are hosting and each team places their players in the level they want to compete at.
4. What size basketball will the players use?
27.5 for boys up to 7U. 28.5 for boys 8U to 11U. 29 for boys 12U and up
5. How are teams determined?
There is a tryout process. If chosen the coaches decide which team to place a player on.
6. What happens if my child misses practice?
The coaches are allowed to govern their teams as they see fit. However, the written team policies' regarding consequences for missing practices is in the Player and Parent Handbook.
7. How can I help my child to improve?
There are many ways to help your child improve but the first step is to get them to love the game. Providing 5 compliments to every 1 critic is the magic number according to a survey conducted.
8. When will the tournament game schedule be available?
Normally the weekend schedule is provided on Thursdays. The outcome of Saturdays games dictate what time the game(s) are on Sunday.
9. Can a player play above or below their grade level?
Yes
10. How do I go about being a coach?
Talk to an Atlanta Nets Board member
11. What is the cost?
See Financial Commitment section of the handbook.
12. Is there a refund policy?
We don't have a refund policy.
13. Do the players keep their uniforms?
Yes, players keep their uniforms at the end of the season.
14. What happens if a player loses their uniform?
Another uniform will need to be purchased.
15. Are background checks performed on the coaches?
Yes, all coaches are required to have background checks.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE POLICY

There are some golden rules to respect when grievances arise, and we list these rules prior to giving specific steps to procedure. If ever there is a personal safety concern, please address responsibly.

Please honor these rules as follows:

- Avoid addressing playing time with coaches during practices and at any point during or at a tournament. We advise our coaches to redirect any communication made in these circumstances to our board of directors or to not respond at all.
- Electronic messaging may be used to request a meeting with coach/assistant director, but please refrain from utilizing this method to vent frustration or disappointment that more respectfully should be discussed face to face. Consider a 24 hour window to allow yourself time to reflect on a situation, giving more clarity and focus to the meeting conversations. If there is a personal safety issue, it must be addressed immediately.
- If choosing to email the coach regarding a concern, always copy **the assistant director** or consider emailing the **assistant director** first for guidance and direction. Understand that our coaches are supported by our board and we will be involved in resolution that is mutual and inclusive. We will not tolerate abuse or disrespect of our coaches, just as we would not tolerate either for our families or players.
- Athletes must be encouraged to speak up on their behalf, and given opportunity to do so. This is an important life skill, and we work hard to provide a safe environment to trust in this step. Parents are asked to work with the Assistant Director to demonstrate respectful problem resolution.
- Coaches are supported by the Atlanta Nets Board with regard to coaching decisions and determinations. We expect our coaches to be open and accessible to resolving individual player concerns, and we reserve the right at any time to have board member presence for problem resolution.

Grievance Procedure Steps

1. Write down the specific concern or problem. For yourself, and for the sake of clarity, write down the specifics of your concern. In the moment of emotion, you can lose sight of what is really bothering you or your player. This is especially important and helpful in teaching young athletes to focus in.
2. Determine who the concern or problem is between or among. Is the concern between teammates, between player and parent or family member, between player and coach, between parent and coach, or is it among the team or parent community? This step helps you narrow down the actual presenting problem and better prepares us for resolution.
3. Plan how you will present the concern or problem and to whom. This step is where you assess our guidelines to follow. We recommend you present based upon the following examples. Coaches care about your concerns, but sometimes the concern or problem is bigger than they are prepared or expected to handle.
 - Player driven concern with team or teammate: Player notifies coach before or after practice of need to speak privately. Be prepared with specific information. If courage is an issue, please assist your child.
 - Player driven concern with coach: Encourage player to request coach meeting before or after practice. **If parent is involved, please include assistant director.**
 - Parent driven concern with team or teammates: Parent notifies **assistant director** and coach verbally, electronically, or by phone of need to meet to address concern. Player may be asked to participate in resolution process.
 - Parent driven concern with coach: Parent notifies **assistant director** verbally, electronically or by phone of need to meet. Concerns and problems are not to be addressed other than face to face. Coach and player are likely to be involved in resolution process.
 - Family driven concern/personal issue/crisis: Parent notifies coach and **assistant director** unless there are confidentiality issues or concerns, and if so, **assistant director** is to be the contact. Assistant director will work with family and board members to resolve as necessary.

PARENT SIGNATURE

ATLANTA YOUTH TEAM AGREEMENT/PLAYER CONTRACT

PLEASE INITIAL AT EACH DESIGNATED SPOT. BY INITIALING YOU ARE AGREEING THAT YOU COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO EACH STATEMENT AND CONTRACT AGREEMENT THAT FOLLOWS YOUR INITIAL. **PLEASE READ EVERYTHING YOU ARE SIGNING SO THAT THERE IS NO CONFUSION**

Initial: _____ I understand that there is a one-time Team Fee per season. This goes to pay for leagues and tournaments. There is no refund on this one time seasonal Team Fee.

Initial: _____ I understand that we need to pay team fee, and turn in the waiver/ medical release, liability form, insurance information, parent/player contract, and financial responsibility form.

Initial: _____ I understand that if I do not meet the obligations defined in the paragraph above my athlete will not be able to participate in team practice or any Atlanta Nets events.

Initial: _____ I understand that all leagues and tournaments held outside of the Atlanta Nets program are out of the Atlanta Nets control. Such as game times, gym locations, and cancellation of the league and tournament. Game times, gym locations and cancellations will be communicated to all parents as soon as possible. In the event that the league/tournament provides a refund back to the team, this refund will be credited to your account.

Initial: _____ I understand that communications with the team will be done through E-Mail/GroupMe/text messages. The majority of the communication will come through GroupMe. It is the parent's responsibility to check E-Mail/GroupMe/text messages on a regular basis.

Initial: _____ I understand that the best form of communication to your coach and the Atlanta Nets Board is Groupme.

Initial: _____ I understand that a coach or director can relocate or replace a player if a player does not meet coaches or directors expectations in attendance, commitment and/ or production.

Initial: _____ I understand that playing time is not guaranteed and must be earned with commitment and production.

Initial: _____ I acknowledge that I have received, read and discussed with my player the information in the Player/Parent handbook. I understand all of the policies as outlined in the handbook and agree to abide by the rules of the organization.

I acknowledge that I have received, read and discussed with my daughter/son the information in the Player/Parent handbook. I understand all of the policies as outlined in the handbook and agree to abide by the rules of the organization. A player may not begin his/her season with the Atlanta Nets Basketball Team until all required forms are signed and submitted to the Team manager. The forms include: Handbook Acceptance, Waiver and Medical Release, Insurance information, code of conduct, and financial Responsibility.

Player Name	Player Signature	Date
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Parent/Guardian Name	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
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We like to post photos of teams and training classes on our website, by signing below you give Atlanta Nets the right to post photos of your athlete.

PARENT SIGNATURE

PLAYING TIME IS EARNED!!!!

The amount of playing time a player receives will vary based on player's skill set, skills of teammates, the opponent, attendance at practice, and the Coach's individual philosophy. Unlike recreation or other youth basketball programs, there is no minimum amount of playing time. There is **NO** guarantee that everyone will play in every game.

In the event that you need to discuss your player receiving more playing time, the first and **BEST** step is to speak directly to the **HEAD COACH, BUT NOT DURING A GAME OR TOURNAMENT!** Please wait until the next practice.

It is our goal to teach the fundamentals of basketball to every player regardless of playing time. The **COACH** has the final say over playing time.

THERE WILL BE NO REFUND, NO EXCUSES.

PARENT SIGNATURE

PARENT PERMISSION FORM, LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE, AND AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL/DENTAL TREATMENT

I understand that participation in Atlanta Nets Basketball involves risk and dangers of serious and permanent bodily injury and death. I hereby release, hold harmless, discharge and agree not to sue Atlanta Nets Basketball, all their affiliates, all directors, officers, employees, coaches, officials, volunteers, agents, sponsors, advertisers, owners/leasers of premises for and from all liability from my participation in and with these and any other related travel, lodging, social and recreational activities.

I have given my daughter/son permission to participate in the Atlanta Nets Basketball events, and I certify that she/he is in good health, has been cleared by a physician and can take part in all physical activities not limited to but including training, practices and games. I am aware of all laws, rules and safety procedures regarding head concussions. If an injury occurs, I authorize the staff members to take any action and use the emergency service available at the nearest hospital if necessary. I understand my personal insurance will be used in this case. In case of an emergency, I authorize the personnel to take action. I have read and understand and agree with all the parent, players and team packets and will follow all rules and code of conduct.

I also understand Atlanta Nets Basketball retains the right to use for publicity and advertising, photographs and video taken of the participants.

Signature

Date

I, the undersigned, the parent and/or legal guardian of (if Player is a minor), or the person (if Player is age of majority), _____ (Player) hereby grant permission for Atlanta Basketball, its officers, employees, coaches, and trainers, to authorize medical or dental treatment for the Player by any available and qualified physician/dentist or other trained medical personnel. In addition, this permission extends to and includes authorization for emergency treatments, procedures, and surgeries for the Player. Furthermore, on-going medical treatment is authorized until such time as the undersigned shall dismiss these physicians/medical personnel in writing and have engaged another qualified physician. This permission and authorization includes admission to a hospital or medical facility if the attending physician deems it necessary.

Player Name (printed)

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature (If player is a minor)

Date

ATLANTA NETS BASKETBALL PERSONAL INFORMATION FORM

Player Name Jersey Number Height

Date of Birth School Grad Year

School that you will attend or are currently attending

Parents/Guardian

Address

Email

Home Phone Cell Phone Work Phone

Insurance Carrier Policy #

Primary Policy Holder ID #

In Case of emergency contact (Other than parent or guardian)

Relationship Emergency Contact Home #

Emergency Contact Work Emergency Contact Cell

If your insurance carrier requires a phone call prior to treatment or hospital admission, please provide that phone number and/or point of contact:

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE PLAYERS BIRTH CERTIFICATE

ATLANTA NETS BASKETBALL HANDBOOK ACCEPTANCE FORM

I acknowledge that I have received, read and discussed with my player the information in the Player/Parent handbook. I understand all of the policies as outlined in the handbook and agree to abide by the rules of the organization. A player may not begin his/her season with a Atlanta Nets Basketball Team until all required forms are signed and submitted to the Team manager. The forms include: Handbook Acceptance, Waiver and Medical Release, Insurance information, code of conduct, and financial Responsibility.

I, the Guardian of the below named child, hereby give my approval to his/her participation in any and all Atlanta Nets Basketball activities during the current season. I understand that Basketball is a dangerous sport that may result in serious injury or even death. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation to and from such activities, and I do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the (ATLANTA NETS), the sponsors, supervisors, participants, volunteers and persons transporting my child to and from activities for any claim arising out of injury to my child.

Physical Examination: I, the Guardian of this child, believe to the best of my knowledge that he/she can withstand the rigors of a basketball season. I, the Parent/Guardian, believe there is nothing physically/mentally wrong with my child. I, the Parent/Guardian, hereby give my approval to my child to participate in the upcoming season without a physical examination, although examinations are recommended. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation without a physical and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnity and agree to hold harmless, the sponsors, supervisors, participants, volunteers and any other persons involved in ATLANTA NETS.

Fees & Liability: I understand that as Guardians we are responsible for the complete payment of registration fees in a timely manner. As the guardian/s, we agree that these are just debts and will remit funds as requested by the organization for the participation in said program. Additionally we understand that there will be NO REFUNDS.

Player Name

Player Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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