

Town of Dover Parks and Recreation
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Dear Basketball Parents and Basketball Athletes;

The Dover Recreation Department offers children an opportunity to become involved in community sponsored programs. The philosophy of the program promotes good sportsmanship and good character; facilitates an atmosphere of respect for everyone; builds on the importance of camaraderie and teamwork; and allows all participants to develop an appreciation of the game. For these reasons, the Dover Basketball Families are urged to assist with our efforts to provide a positive learning experience for all athletes who participate in our program.

The following behaviors characterize Good Sportsmanship and are expectations for all individuals who attend or participate in community sponsored programs:

- Respect yourself and others (Referees, Officials, and Coaches)
- Respect your team and your opponents (positive comments are always the best!!)
- Respect the Rules of the Game (**don't question the calls of referees**)
- Accept the judgment calls of the coaches and the officials of the game (one of the best lessons in sports is learning how to work through adversity)
- Keep good sportsmanship in focus... Win without gloating: Lose without complaint!

Any demonstration of unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive, unruly behavior on the part of an athlete, parent or spectator may result in ejection from the game and future events; this is not the desired action. It is the expectation that everyone will uphold the highest standards of behavior and keep in perspective that this is simply a game, and a recreation game at that!!

Good Sportsmanship is a lesson that will last a lifetime for our young athletes, encouraging them to do their best at all times, in triumph and defeat. Your commitment to this effort is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Teri Ptasnick

Recreation Director / Basketball Coordinator