

## ALL NLU COACHES ARE HELD TO THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

Coaches are responsible for instructing their players to play the sport in a safe and sportsmanlike manner.

Player development is the foremost priority. Winning is a consideration, but not the only one, nor the most important one. If players are given the tools and skills they need to succeed, it will be up to players to work together to achieve success in the form of winning.

Establish a culture that teaches players to positively represent and be accountable to themselves, their teammates, family and community.

Recognize, praise and reward players for effort, focus, humility and the desire to improve all aspects of skills development.

Be a positive role model to your players. Display emotional maturity and be alert to the physical safety of players.

Be generous with your praise when it is deserved; be consistent and honest; be fair and just; do not criticize players publicly; learn to be a more effective communicator and coach; don't yell at players.

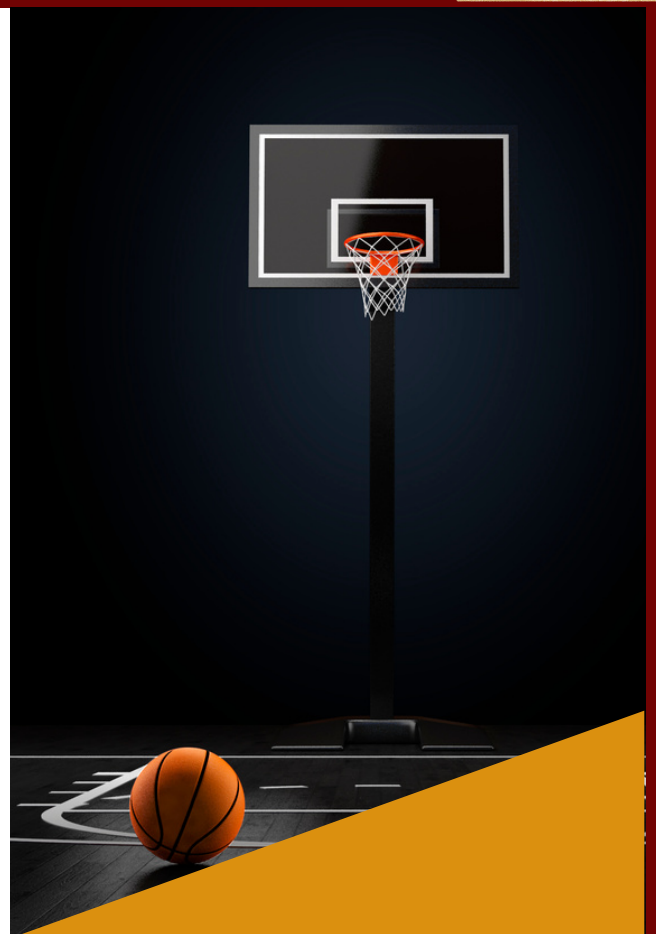
Adjust to personal needs and problems of players; be a good listener; never verbally, emotionally, or physically abuse a player or official; give all players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop self-esteem; teach players the basics.

Organize practices that are fun and challenging for your players. Familiarize yourself with the rules, techniques and strategies of the sport; encourage all your players to be team players.

Maintain an open line of communication with your players' parents. Explain the goals and objectives of your association.

Be concerned with the overall development of your players. Stress good health habits and clean living.

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## COACHES

*Winning takes talent; to repeat takes Character. - John Wooden*

