

East Windsor Travel Team Rules

Having a travel team at each grade level to represent East Windsor and providing players a place to play at a higher level are continuing goals of our program, as we strive to provide a setting where players can develop their skills and prepare for high school basketball. To do so, we need to have a structure where players can play with their classmates and grow together, and coaches willing to teach these skills and help each player refine their skills. Playing and coaching at the travel level is not a right, but a privilege, as alternatives are available in recreation for players and coaches that may not want the responsibilities associated with travel basketball. Players and coaches alike should be selected and provided opportunity based upon attitude, ability, and dedication.

Player Expectations and Tryouts

1. Players must live in East Windsor and/or attend East Windsor Schools.
2. Players must have the ability, attitude, and dedication to play at this level, due to the maximum team size of ten (10) players.
3. A player may try out for a team one grade up from his or her own. However, he or she may not be selected if there are an adequate number of players trying out for that grade, and/or if there is a need to retain that player in the proper grade to remain competitive.
4. On the second tryout date, players must complete a registration form and submit \$60.00 payable to EWYB. If a player is not chosen for a travel team, he or she will be placed on a recreational team with no further payment due. Checks/cash, player list and a copy of the signed application must be submitted to Bill Raber within 2 days of receipt for deposit.
5. Every player must receive playing time of at least one quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the game, on average.
6. If a player demonstrates actions detrimental to the team and/or organization, that individual may be dismissed for a portion of or the entire season with no refund (if any payment has been submitted). Final decision is based upon Board of Directors.

Coaching Expectations

1. Coaches will conduct tryouts, and a selection panel will grade players and identify the top ten (10) players of each grade level.
2. At the conclusion of tryouts, all travel team coaches will meet and a practice schedule will be formed. Selection of times and locations will take place on a seniority basis, with more senior coaches having first choice.
3. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, assistant coaches, fans, and parents of players. This is both during scheduled games and practices.
4. We play by high school rules and league rules. As such, if a coach is thrown out of a game due to technical fouls, he or she cannot coach the next league game.
5. All coaches must attend the league scheduling meeting, set to take place on Saturday, November 22, at 1:30pm at the East Windsor Middle School.
6. Each head coach is responsible for writing the schedule for their respective division and have the schedule completed and submitted by November 17 to Ted Szymanski.
 1. Each division will have a 16-game schedule (8 home, 8 away) with only the teams within their division. At the scheduling meeting, coaches may add up to 2 additional home games and/or other games.
7. Coaches are responsible for coordinating their team completely. This includes collecting fees and all purchases, providing basketballs, ice packs, medical kits, and so forth.
 1. Each team is responsible for their own basketballs, uniforms, score books, and other materials.
 2. Scott's in Windsor is our uniform source, and coaches should order their uniforms ASAP. You are to pay Scott's directly, with a maximum cost of \$45.00 per uniform. Uniforms must be of East Windsor colors: black and gold, with or without white.
8. The total cost per team, excluding uniforms and equipment, is \$1,200. Coaches must inform each visiting coach of our gym rules so that they can inform their own fans.
9. At the High School and Middle School, coaches must provide an individual to be by the entry door by the gym to make sure nobody attempts to bring in food or beverages in violation of our "No food, no beverage" policy. Equally imperative is that this person ensures nobody goes down the hall or is hanging around in the hall at the High School. Should the alarm be set off, we may be charged \$150, to be paid by the violating team, and two violations may result in the loss of the use of the gym.

10. Coaches are responsible for providing a capable scorekeeper for all games. At home games, your book is the official book.
11. Each team will play in the East Windsor Pre-Season Jamboree for free, and each is responsible for providing clock operators, security, and cleanup for their assigned times. The total time will be divided equally among the East Windsor teams.
12. If a coach demonstrates actions detrimental to the team and/or organization, **FAILS TO PROVIDE THE MINIMUM 8 MINUTES PER GAME PER PLAYER**, or is disqualified by the officials 2 times during the season, that individual may be dismissed from coaching travel for a portion of or the entire remainder of the season and playoffs. The Board makes the final decision.

Miscellany

1. Practices will be conducted in a manner so as to include shooting drills, running, basketball fundamentals, man-to-man and zone defenses, breaking a press, and various offenses. If the coaching staff fails to utilize this format, he or she may be replaced, and a replacement coach will be found.
2. The last team to leave must sweep the floor, pick up the sweepings and any other trash, and check the bathrooms and outside doors.
 1. If you are the last team playing on a Saturday or Sunday, you and your coaches must clean the gym completely. This includes sweeping, folding the bleachers, cleaning under the bleachers, piling the mats in the corner, putting the clock control and tables away, stacking folding chairs, and checking the bathrooms.
 2. We ask that teams playing or practicing earlier in the day be courteous to later teams by minimizing trash or any messiness left behind.
3. Because the school is on an alarm on non-school days, we are limited to the gym and the bathrooms found within it. As such, nobody will be allowed in the halls.
4. Food, coffee, soda, etc. are prohibited from the gyms. Coaches are responsible for informing visiting teams and their fans of this policy.
5. At the East Windsor High School, **DO NOT** pull out the bleachers without the key. Bleachers will be pulled out facing the scorer's table, since bleachers on that side are reserved for players, coaches, and coaching staff only.
6. During games or practices, if a player is injured and the severity cannot be determined, summon the parent and call 911 immediately.
7. Protocol during the game for unruly spectator: A referee will go to the coach associated with problem fan to have the spectator stop any and all unruly actions. If the spectator continues their conduct despite the warning, the referee will assess a technical to the team, and the site director must arrange to remove the person from the facility. If the spectator refuses to leave, the game ends in a forfeit with a win for the team without the problem spectator.
8. Site Director: Site directors are responsible to assure the game starts on time, and will address any problems as they arise (i.e. removal of a coach or spectator, injury, or summoning an ambulance, police, etc.). If you need the police, please call the East Windsor Police Department at 292-8240.
 1. If another East Windsor coach is not available to be the site director when your team is playing, the present coach will assume that role.
9. Alarm: If an alarm is sounded, call Ted Szymanski at 335-2017 immediately. If he is unavailable, please call the East Windsor Police Department at 292-8240 to inform them the alarm was tripped and an emergency does not exist.
10. If any issues detrimental to the program occur (i.e. conduct, alarms, coaching issues, issues arising with visiting teams, officials, etc.), Ted Szymanski should be informed immediately and, if necessary, called to the address at 335-2017. Depending upon the severity of the issue, it may be brought forward to the Board of Directors for discussion and an immediate ruling.