

To All:



**Primary Winter Competition Coaches & Managers,**

- **Please ensure that the scoresheet is filled out with the players' names playing in your teams.**
  - >this is so we can keep track of who is playing for which teams, in which grades and is valuable in helping to pick our Pioneer All-star teams.
  - >if a player is playing up a grade the opposition coach must be notified before the start of the game
  - >same if playing down a grade, however that player is not allowed to score-they must pass or dribble only.
- **Team Benches are for the COACH and PLAYERS ONLY, all Supporters/family members are allowed to watch the games from the baseline (the stadium is working on getting more seating).**
  - >there is a reason that we only put one bench for each team beside the court; It helps the floor controller see all 3 courts at once.
- **Before and After Games please stay off the courts.**
  - >while it is a good show of sportsmanship to shake hands after a game and do '3-cheers', the clock doesn't stop and the longer it takes for you to do these things the more time is lost from the following game.
  - >**please shake hands behind the score bench or preferably on the **baseline** so the next game isn't late to start.**
- **Lining up for Free-Throws is chewing too much time off the clock in most grades.**
  - >can coaches please teach their teams how to line up properly when we are shooting free-throws, this will be greatly appreciated and help our referees concentrate on other (more important)

aspects of the game. It will also give the players **more time** to 'play' the game.

- **Defensive-retreat rule (BACK TO HALF):** Players may only advance on defence when the ball has been touched by a player on the court **NOT when the ball is thrown-in by the inbounder.**

-> Please remind your players of the rule before and help them 'remember' during games. Repetitively stopping a game to tell a team to go back to halfway kills any transition scoring opportunity by the team with possession of the ball and if it is happening too many times in a game the referee will be instructed to advance the ball up the court as a 'penalty' to the infringing team.

- **Player/Coach Behaviour:** It should go without saying that each person belonging to a team is a representative of that school and should behave themselves in an appropriate & professional manner.

->this is vital when it comes to referees – if you have any issues you need to let the **floor controller** or **referee manager** know, coaches and players should not be addressing referees during the games, most of our referees are BRAND NEW!!! They are learning just like the players and coaches put too high an expectation on these young officials. We do try to have a more senior ref with a junior ref on most games but due to ref availability this sometimes isn't always achievable.

- **NO-ONE SHOULD BE SHOOTING ON THE SIDE HOOPS BESIDE COURT 3 WHILE THE COMPETITION IS ON!!!!**