Coach Selection, Conduct and Bench Decorum

Selecting Coaches

- No person has an automatic right to coach for FABL. To be considered for a coaching position, applicants must
  - Read all documents referenced in the FABL Coaching Application menu on our website, and sign and submit the Coaches Agreement.
  - Complete a Background Check through Rec & Parks, and submit a copy of their Carroll County Coaches badge, with an expiration date beyond April 1, 2021
  - Provide a Certificate of Completion for the course: Concussion in Sports from the NFHS website.

- Criteria for selection would include such factors as the number of years a person has been coaching in the League, their conduct as a coach, and the ability to develop both sportsmanship and playing ability in youth.

- The respective Division Commissioner will select REC division coaches each year.

- The Board will select travel team coaches.

- The Board reserves the right to approve, disapprove or remove a coach for any justifiable reason.

FABL follows a ZERO tolerance policy on inappropriate behavior and communication with an Official. The conduct of a coach determines the conduct of the parents and players. We will not permit Coaches, Players or Spectators to inappropriately address our Officials.

Coaches Box

- Head Coaches are permitted to stand and move in their ‘bench area’ for the purpose of instructing players. Bench Area is defined as the 10’ stretch directly in front of the team bench.

- Head Coaches are not permitted to be on the baseline or behind the score table.

- Only the Head Coach is permitted to be standing during game play. Assistant coaches must remain seated on the bench.
**Coach Communication**

- ONLY the Head Coach is permitted to communicate to an Official.

- Coaches are NOT permitted to yell at nor berate an Official.

- A Head Coach may request a conversation with an Official about a rule interpretation during a time-out, but these are for informational purposes only and will not result in a change of any call.

- Repeated outward complaining from a Head Coach will be penalized.

- Any negative communication to an Official from an Assistant Coach will be immediately penalized.

- Coaches are NOT to follow Officials off the floor at half-time or end of game.

**Penalties**

All Technical Fouls are DIRECT Technical Fouls. Officials are not ‘required’ to give a warning prior to assessing a Technical Foul.

An Official may also bypass the Technical Foul provisions and immediately eject a Coach or assistant if necessary.

- First Technical Foul – Head Coach must remain seated the remainder of the game. Assistants are still not permitted to be off the bench.

- Second Technical Foul – Head Coach is disqualified from the game and must leave the area of the gymnasium.

**Any Coach who is Disqualified (2 Technical Fouls), or Ejected, will be suspended for the teams next game.**

Any future ejection /disqualification by the same coach over an FABL coaching career will result in a permanent ban from coaching for FABL.