



PARA Basketball 2012 Tournament

Coaches & Parents,

Tuesday February 21, through Sunday March 4, the PARA 2012 Tournament will be hosting 118 games in gyms throughout Salt Lake City. The PARA Board wants you to be aware of PARA policies, rules and structure for the tournament.

— **Admission.** All gyms charge \$2 admission for adults and \$1 for children. All gyms charge all spectators, at every game. This money goes directly to officials, scorekeepers and the cost of trophies. **NO PETS ARE ALLOWED IN GYMS.**

— **Scheduling.** The schedule will be online at www.para-slc.com as soon as it is available. Each division has a link to that playoff schedule, and at the top of each division page is a "Tournament Bracket View" link as well. Game times and locations cannot be changed. Players / teams who do not show up, forfeit their game. All games will be held at St Anns, Blessed Sacrament, St Vincent, St Johns, Prophet Elias, and Judge Memorial. Championship games will be at Juan Diego High School on March 3 & 4. (TBD)

Once the schedule is set, games will not be rescheduled. Should any occurrence require that a game be forfeited due to a rules violation, ALL PARA Athletic Directors are able to immediately contact the PARA Resolution Committee.

— **Zero Tolerance.** All spectators should receive a copy of the PARA Zero Tolerance Policy upon entrance to a game. This policy states; *"Any player, coach, fan or spectator displaying any inappropriate behavior whether physical, verbal and/or obscene in nature; will be required to leave the premises immediately in compliance with the Diocesan Zero Tolerance Policy."*

Additionally, any verbal harassment of any kind, towards coaches, score keepers or referees is not permitted at any time. All gyms have a PARA Certified Gym Coordinator on premises, to enforce the Zero Tolerance Policy. Any fan who engages in a verbal or physical altercation of any kind with a referee, coach, score keeper, gym coordinator or player will have the police called immediately, and that fan will be banned from all PARA gym facilities in the future. These policies are in place to ensure the safety and enjoyment of our children.

— **Sportsmanship.** Everyone understands that playoff games are final and that one team advances, while the other team's season is over. Please take the opportunity to lead by example in your actions and show respect for ALL players, coaches, officials and the gyms that host your playoff games. Without these volunteers and community support, PARA would not exist. We ask that you remember that our program is a recreational sports program for children, and any negative actions only take away from the children and their participation in our program.

Any questions or concerns can be submitted by email to parabasketball@comcast.net and will be forwarded to the PARA Executive Committee and Resolution Board.

Our volunteers, coaches and officials thank you for your support.

PARA Executive Committee

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