

**Sacramento Buddhist Church
Coach's Agreement**

There comes a time in any organization when the informal, word-of-mouth way to conduct business is not sufficient, nor efficient anymore, and that time has come for our Sports Program.

This Coach's Agreement is a way to ensure that all coaches are aware of the scope and purpose of the NCCL Basketball Program. The NCCL, Northern California Church League, is the governing body for our basketball program.

According to the Sacramento Betsuin Sports Program By-Laws, the objective is:

"To establish, administer and enhance a continuing sports program for our youth, fully recognizing that this program is sponsored and affiliated with the Sacramento Betsuin."

With this "objective" in mind, it is expected that a Betsuin Coach teaches our youth the principles of sportsmanship, fair play, skill development, and mutual respect among players, coaches, official, and spectators.

Given this expectation, you, as a Betsuin Coach, are expected to:

1. Know the rules and teach the rules. (See Betsuin and NCCL By-Laws attached herein)
2. Motivate and make it fun for each player
3. Emphasize team concepts and that there is no "I" in team
4. Respect the game officials and refrain from being disrespectful to others
5. Ensure players conduct themselves with sportsmanship and maturity
6. Lead by example and teach each player to be humble and gracious in victory and proud and courteous in defeat
7. Realize, accept and practice the principal that a team's reputation is built not only on it's wins and losses, but on sportsmanship, courtesy, and manner
8. Coach in a positive manner and do not use derogatory comments or abusive language
9. Help ensure your players behave in church by reminding them
10. Always keep in mind that this is a "church" league, NOT a competitive league
11. Always keep in mind that skill development and team ideals are the goal
12. Keep in mind that you represent the Sacramento Betsuin Church

Remember, there is no trophy, no champion, and no one gets paid to do this, so take pride in teaching and guiding our youth to become upstanding adults.

An outstanding coach once said, "As adults, we always remember our coaches and what they taught us, but we have a hard time remembering our teachers." In other words, whether they intend to or not, coaches make a lifelong impression, make it count.

I, _____
(print name of coach)

do understand and accept this Coach's Agreement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____