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COACH: ** Please provide your e-mail address. E-mail it to paul@yvn.com, if you haven't of yet**

We are truly lucky to have the gyms available for our usage during the year. The reason for this is that we have many great school districts in the Yakima Valley that have supported what we have been doing the last twenty-seven years.

When it comes to voting for schools, we want you to vote "YES" at the elections. The money which is a portion of our property taxes are very small compare to the whole picture. Our children and our grand children more today than ever needs a good solid education. Parents that children goes to private schools need to show the positive support to the local public schools also, we all must work together to educate our young.

Speaking of Gym Supervisors. While you are at their gyms, thank the people that are spending their time giving your team a chance to participate. We sometimes take them for granted. I would hope that your team is helping in your local town with their gyms. Without the people running the gyms we would not have the schools to play in and over 6,000 basketball players would not have that chance to participate.

We had a complaint from one team that after the game was over and the girls were giving High Fives, a coach on the other team, grab a girl by the arm gently, this is a no no. Coaches, please keep your hands off the other teams players and watch how you handle and work with your own players

Many great games this week. Overall most of the teams are in their right division. Remember during the first two weeks you are playing teams outside your division. We can these cross over games. They help us determine the level your team is at during the Spring, Summer and Fall Sessions.

Take a Note:

- 1 We do not reschedule any games because a team can't play on a certain day after the schedule is completed. We do everything we can do get another team to fill in for your team if you can't play.
- 2 Snow, ice, etc. **These games are not rescheduled**, we let the team traveling make the decision to play or not. Teams are requested to call 509 453 2696 for weather conditions. We have found that the weather in the Tri-Cities, Prosser, Toppenish, Yakima, Ellensburg could all be different. Don't make any quick decisions, call first. Remember that the weather usually improves in the afternoon.
- 3 Each week the contact person ONLY – will receive the results and additional information, always check the information and check the schedule for possible changes. Changes to the schedule are updated on the schedule and we do use different marks to show that the schedule has been change. If your parents are aware of the web site, they will be watching for changes also. The web site will let your athletes see the results quicker.

Always read your AAU information first and please read all of it.

- 4 Coaches must remember, if you are ejected from the game, please just leave. Smart remarks to the officials only belittle you among the players and parents. Remember each official does things a little different at this level. They have control of the game. Let them do their job, they have different angles to see plays on the court. The Parent in the stands and you and the bench sees the game from a truly different angle. **IF you are ejected from a second game, for the same team you are done for the session.** (Some coaches do coach more than one team) **If this happens, why are you coaching.**
- 5 We must be playing all players during the game, we don't need parents going to a game without seeing their child playing a fair amount of time. The hardest thing we must do at this level of play is to manage the play of the players. Plan ahead of time to get individuals into games. If you have 10 players, there is no reason that each player does get into 3 of the 4 quarters. Be positive to the players when they come out of the game, there must be something that they did right that you can say. They know what they did wrong, you don't have to tell them that

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www.ieaaau.org

Great News, AAU League Results, Pass results are being posted weekly back to the start in 1978.

Directions to Gyms, Official Schedule and Results, National information at www.aausports.org

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