

WEST BASKETBALL CLUB VISION AND VALUES

West Basketball Club acknowledges the Aboriginal Peoples as the Custodians of the lands and their ongoing connections to country, sea and community in which we live, work and play. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members and communities.

Our Vision

West Basketball Club is committed to providing an inclusive, fun, welcoming and safe environment for our junior players and families participating in basketball activities in the Newcastle region, helping our players reach their full playing potential and learn lifelong skills in teamwork, fair play and respect.

Coaches

- As coaches we lead by example. Our attitude sets the team culture.
- We ensure we have a current WWC number, and look for coaching development opportunities for continuous improvement of our skills.
- We create an attitude of fair play among all players.
- We learn and understand the rules of the game and teach in accordance with them.
- We embrace the 4 stages of learning: demonstration, imitation, correction, repetition.
- Our demeanour with players is calm and with a player development approach.
- We work hard to include everyone in the team and create a feeling of friendship and togetherness.
- We converse with other club coaches in sharing our knowledge of the game.
- We want everyone to come back next season.

Parents

- We encourage from the sideline, but do not “coach” our child during a game.
- We never call out to referees or the opposition during a game.
- We learn how to do “score bench” and make sure we are assisting the team by doing regular score bench duties.
- We speak in a positive manner to our child about other players, team staff and referees.

Players

- We respect our opposition, teammates and officials. Always.
- We demonstrate our support of our teammates by picking them up if they get knocked over, or giving them a high-five between free throw shots.
- We always play by the rules and in the spirit of the game.
- We avoid argument or disrespect toward game officials.
- We respect our coach by turning up to training, listening when they speak, and sitting on the player bench during a game and half time when off the court.

West Committee

- We create a fair and inclusive environment for our players and families.
- We support our volunteer coaches and managers, and provide opportunities for development and growth.
- We act as role models for our club and do not tolerate discrimination or racial harassment in any forms.
- We support all levels of basketball participation from social play with friendship groups through to elite basketball pathways, and ensure we attract volunteer coaches to support the goals of our playing cohort.
- We are responsive, approachable, and are open to feedback to help improve our processes.