

# **2024-25 UTAH LEGACY PARENT CONTRACT**

Welcome to the 2024-25 season of Utah Legacy Youth Basketball. The purpose of this program is to form competitive teams to develop the players skills in preparation for playing at a high level.

This is NOT a recreational basketball program, and our teams are not intended for everyone. This program is not an alternative for the Junior Jazz program. These are competitive teams playing in competitive leagues and have been established to get the best basketball players in the Salt Lake County area playing together.

## **PRACTICE / GAMES**

The teams will practice 2 nights per week. Although the size of the program is decent, practice locations are set for the entire 24-25 school year. There will be no league games scheduled during most national holidays. Since we are practicing at schools, we do have to be flexible with practice, understanding that school events will take priority over our rentals. Exceptions will be made for these few and far in between circumstances.

Attendance at all practices and games is MANDATORY. Players' parents will be able to discuss conflicts with other sports with their coaches and work out an arrangement if needed. Missing a practice without notifying the coach prior to that absence could result in the player not playing in the next game or reduced minutes, per coaches discretion. Each coach will manage this in the best interest of the team. Having players absent affects the entire team and what they are working on. With that said, multiple absences could lead to dismissal from the team.

## **LEAGUES**

All teams will play in a league that may have weekend and/or weekday games throughout the fall, winter and spring seasons. We will relay this info to parents as soon as possible to give as much advance notice for planning and scheduling to make sure players can attend games.

## **EXPECTATIONS**

### **Coaches / Playing Time**

This program has been developed to help your sons and daughters to become better basketball players and to build the Utah Legacy Program. We ask that you help us build this program and not tear it down. Questions or concerns about the program should be directed to your players' team head coach. They are happy to have reasonable and productive discussions with parents. At no time, will any of our coaches discuss playing time in front of other parents/players nor will we discuss other members of the team other than your son. If you feel the need to address a more "serious" issue with your players coach, do so in private, in a mature manner after your emotions have calmed down and you are in a rational state of mind and are ready to TALK to the coach. This may not be immediately after a game or practice so please exercise your best adult

judgment if you need to have a more “serious” conversation with a coach. If you feel a third party needs to be involved, please contact Landen Cummings and explain the situation and he can mediate the conversation between you and the coach if you’d prefer that. If you feel there is a conflict that is clearly not being resolved, please contact Landen as an alternative.

This is not a recreation program and a certain amount of playing time is not guaranteed for any player. If you are looking for an experience where everyone gets a trophy and all players play equally, this is not for you. Real life does not work that way. This is an opportunity for the kids to learn that they have to earn what they receive. Playing time is earned in practice, and success is earned in practice (both with the team and as an individual). The best thing you can do for your player is encourage them to work hard in practice and put in time with them for individual skill development or get them with someone that can directly work with them specifically on their individual skills.

We expect all Utah Legacy teams to be competitive with any team in their divisions. We are building a tradition of winning and excellence on and off the court. The coaches will be coaching to develop players. Some of our younger teams do not have a lot of experience, and they will have to work through that. We are looking for those teams to improve in skill level, basketball IQ, and competitiveness.

All players grow and develop their basketball skills at different speeds and timing. Some players grow early and have success at an early age. Some players grow later and have more success as they get older. Whether they grow early or late, the players that keep working can have success at the high school level. Conversely, those that stop working, will not have success. Over the years we have seen many players in both categories be successful at different playing levels. Players need to be grouped in like talent and basketball IQ levels in order to maximize their learning potential, no different than grouping math students in the same manner.

**Please let our coaches do their jobs. Cheer for your kids, encourage them. Please don’t go on the floor at halftime, or yell out instructions during the game. This just confuses the players. You may be reinforcing the coach’s instructions or contradicting them, either way, it confuses the player as they do not know who to listen to.**

## **Grades**

Academic success is just as important to us as basketball success. All players will be expected to maintain a 3.0 GPA (or equivalent for elementary & middle school age players).

## **CHANGES TO TEAMS/ROSTERS**

We reserve the right to make changes to the team rosters as we deem necessary.

It is very unlikely, but players may be moved from one team to another through the course of the

year.

Players that do not attend practice consistently or have behavioral issues may be asked to leave.

We reserve the right to add players to any team at a later date.

Utah Legacy basketball teams are formed for play year round. We will play in the Fall (mid Aug-end of Oct, Winter 1 (Nov-end of Dec), Winter 2 (Jan-end of Feb), Spring (March-end of May). Multisport kids will be handled on a case by case basis. We will also have a summer program that runs June-end of July.

### **LEGACY PRIDE**

As our teams compete in these different events, each and everyone one of us represents the basketball program as well as our community and respective families. All players, coaches, parents, fans, etc. must conduct themselves in a positive manner.



If you understand and agree to the terms of this agreement, as the parent of a Utah Legacy player during the 2024-25 season please sign below

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# UTAH LEGACY ATHLETE AGREEMENT

Utah Legacy basketball has established certain rules by which young men and women who participate in the competitive sports program are expected to abide. Student-athletes represent the program and their families. To eliminate any misunderstandings about the rules and the related consequences, please read the information detailed below before signing this contract.

1. Student athletes must adhere to the regulations detailed in this contract at school, at school and team activities, and at all other times and places.

2. The use or possession of tobacco, illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, the abusive use of prescription or nonprescription legal drugs, or the possession of drug paraphernalia is forbidden and will not be tolerated, regardless of the quantity or form or intent. Violation of this rule will result in immediate suspension from all athletic programs.

3. Athletes are expected to conduct their behavior in a commendable manner at all times. Verbal or physical display of negative emotion directed toward opponents, officials, or spectators is not acceptable and will not be tolerated. Any acts of violence or acts that are criminal/illegal in nature are unacceptable and will result in immediate suspension from all athletic programs. Hazing/initiation of any kind is forbidden.

4. **Academic Eligibility:** To be eligible to participate in any athletic competition, a student must be a full-time student in the school he/she wishes to represent, must not have failed more than one class in the quarter prior to participation, and must have earned a GPA of not less than 3.0 in that quarter. An incomplete (I) no grade (NG), or no credit (NC) is computed as an "F" for eligibility purposes until made up. While on a team, a student must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or above and not earn more than one "F" during any grading period. A student who is scholastically ineligible for a grading period cannot represent the Utah Legacy program in any contests. The word represent is defined as follows:

- a. Be in uniform on competition night.
- b. Warm up with the team.
- c. Be listed on the program roster if applicable.

5. It is suggested the parent or guardian have some form of insurance protection for the athlete while he/she is participating in competitive athletics. Utah Legacy will also provide insurance through Sadler Insurance that will cover all players for any events they do with Utah Legacy (practices, games or teambuilders).

**(Name of Student)** \_\_\_\_\_ I have read the rules and consequences outlined above and understand that they will govern me as a student athlete for Utah Legacy.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian) I have read the rules and consequences outlined above and understand that they will govern my player as a student athlete for Utah Legacy.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_