



## **The Premier League Basketball** **RULES SUMMARY**

Welcome to the Athens Premier League! For all coaches, assistants, parents & players, I would like to outline how the Athens Premier League will operate during the season. Here are the guidelines:

### **Rules:**

We will play by GHSA rules with 2 exceptions:

- 15 pt. Lead - No full court press for team in the lead (1/2 court only). Press can be reinstated at 10 point lead.
- 20 pt. Lead – (2<sup>nd</sup> half-only) Running clock unless opposing team can reduce lead to 12 pts. or less

### **Ball Size:**

28.5 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 29.5 for 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade. **Coaches are responsible for bringing warm- up ball for their team.**

**Goal Height:** 10 ft-regulation

### **Time:**

- 7<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade - 4 Quarters of 6 minutes with 3 minutes for Halftime and Overtime (if necessary).
- 3/4<sup>th</sup> Grade - 4 Quarters of 5 minutes with 3 minutes for
- Halftime and Overtime (if necessary).

**Time Outs:** 3 full (1 minute) and 2 (30 second) time outs per game.

**Playing Time:** The Athens Premier League does not require or mandate playing time.

### **Coaches:**

1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach-No exceptions

- a) No additional coaches/parents behind, beside or on the bench
- b) More than 2 Coaches on the bench will result in:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> offense = Warning
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> or more offenses = Technical foul

**Clock Operator or Bookkeeper-** The Premier League provides a clock operator and each team shall provide bookkeeper for each game. We ask that coaches identify the individual prior to game time.

**Admission:** \$5.00 per Adult and \$3.00 per Children for both regular season games, Tournament, and All-star.

- a) Coaches – 1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant per team will be admitted for free but must sign in at the admission table.
- b) Clock Operator or Bookkeeper (1 per team) will be admitted for free but must sign in at the admission table.

**Concessions:** Candy, snacks and drinks may be available at the concessions stand in the entrance lobbies of facilities when possible.

**All-Star Game:**

In the Premier League, each age group is divided into divisions and will have selections to participate. Coaches will select players on their team to participate in the year end All-star game during the second half of the season. The games will be played on during the end of season tournament week.

**Championship Playoffs:**

The Championship Playoffs will be played the week of the All-Star game and will culminate with the Championship Game for each age group.

The guidelines stated above are intended to help all of us in our effort to make this another successful season in the Premier League. If there are any additional questions or items that need to be addressed, please respond via e-mail as soon as possible. We appreciate your time and your cooperation.

Thank you,

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