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# Handbook

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# BREVARD BULLS

**Basketball Organization**



January 1, 2012

Dear Parents,

I want to take this opportunity to welcome you and your student-athlete to the Brevard Bulls Organization. We look forward to another exciting year of competitive basketball.

The mission of the Brevard Bulls is to strive to provide an environment that will compliment and enrich the overall quality of our student-athletes. The emphasis of this organization is threefold; provide opportunities that encourage the pursuit of lifetime goals, promote a sense of commitment and teamwork, and develop personal character by creating an environment that values discipline and integrity among its student-athletes and coaching staff.

The Brevard Bulls have undergone several significant changes in the past couple of years. We developed a board of directors comprised of coaches and parents to promote open communication and establish points of accountability and oversight within the organization. We also expanded our age group range presenting more coaching and volunteer opportunities. I would like to take this time to welcome the new coaches, players and parents to the organization.

Communication among parents and student-athletes will primarily take place via email and the Brevard Bulls official website. We ask that you check the website on a daily basis to stay abreast of updated information, and any changes that may occur within the Brevard Bulls Organization.

Feel free to contact me at 321-446-2556 for further information. I can also be reached via email at [shughes@brevardbulls.org](mailto:shughes@brevardbulls.org) or [brevardbulls@vzw.blackberry.net](mailto:brevardbulls@vzw.blackberry.net) .

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any issues or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Steven K. Hughes  
Brevard Bulls Organization President

Board Members

Steve Hughes,  
President/CEO

Lester Simon,  
Vice President/CFO

Donald Richardson  
Assistant Vice President

Kela Ware, Secretary

Milford Copley,  
Player Personnel

Javyon Wallington,  
Chief Basketball  
Operations

Gyndel World,  
Team Mom Coordinator

Brian Benell, Community  
Relations

Rosalynn Josey  
Social Media

Sean McGoggle  
Academic Advisor

## Coach's Code of Conduct

**Character** – Coaches shall realize their character is being viewed as “acceptable behavior” by the players.

**Respect** – Coaches shall realize the respect they show players is the respect they will receive from players.

**Positive** – Coaches shall approach all issues with a positive attitude. “If you want to gather honey, don’t kick over the bee hive”. (1)

**Communication** – Coaches shall choose their words carefully and communicate appropriately. No profanity.

**Favoritism** – Coaches shall not favor one player over another player.

**Techniques** – Coaching techniques shall focus on conditioning and developing player's individual skills and talents. Coaches shall not use fear tactics or intimidation (staring down) as a means or method to teach players. Staring down a player may diminish self-esteem and cause a player to withdraw and feel degraded. Coaches shall not resort to yelling as a primary form of instruction when players are not responding appropriately. Coaches shall always remember to praise in public and ridicule in private. Coaches shall include an adult witness when the need to correct a player is of a sensitive or private nature.

**Practices** – Coaches shall balance practice time between lectures, conditioning, skill development, scrimmaging and relationship building. Excessive lecturing or redundancy can be condescending and discouraging to players. Requiring players to perform excessive physical activities (running and wind sprints) as punishment, only take away from time that can be better utilized developing player’s individual skills and talents. Coaches shall minimize time players stand idle on the sidelines watching other players practice. All players should be actively involved in practice sessions.

**Games** – Coaches shall strive to involve all players when game conditions permit...such as winning or losing by a margin that will not change the apparent outcome of the game.

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Coach's Signature

(1) Dale Carnegie: “How to Win Friends and Influence People”

## **Athlete's Code of Conduct**

**Academics** – Players shall maintain, at a minimum, a “C” average in all academic courses or be suspended until the required criteria is met.

**Respect** – Players shall treat teammates, coaches, family, spectators, referees, teachers and others with honor and respect ; avoiding arguments and any form of intrusion on other's well being.

**Honesty / Integrity** – Players shall exhibit honesty and integrity at all times. Players shall be of good moral character and show sincerity. Basically, players shall tell the truth and do the right thing even when no one is watching.

**Conduct** – Players shall conduct themselves at school and in their respective communities in a way that demonstrates and views each individual as a representative of a professional organization.

**Discipline** – Players shall exhibit self control and refrain from trash talking, offensive behavior, and arguing in all situations.

**Timeliness** – Players shall be on-time to all team events (practices, games, fund raisers, meetings, etc.)

**Attention** – Players shall be attentive when coaches, referees, teachers and parents try to help them better their skills whether in basketball or personal pursuits.

**Character** – Players shall strive to develop good character reputations and display this reputation on the basketball court, as well as, within their respective communities.

**Friendliness / Words** – Players shall use words that build teamwork, trust and self-esteem to encourage one another. Players shall conduct themselves in a friendly and supportive manner at all times.

**Eye contact** – Players shall establish eye contact with teammates, coaches, family, spectators, referees, teachers and others when speaking to them.

**Hygiene** – Players shall practice good personal hygiene by keeping their bodies clean and free of offensive body odor.

**Team Dismissal** - Yelling, profanity, cheating, stealing, laziness, tardiness, hatred, lack of self control, personal hygiene, disrespect, school grades, drug or alcohol abuse and other exhibits/signs of destructive or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated and may result in immediate dismissal from the organization.

**Sportsmanship / Hustle** – Players shall practice good sportsmanship. Players shall always strive to win and show humility and gracefulness in victory as well as in defeat. Players shall always put forth their best individual effort by displaying “hustle” at practice and at game time.

**Community Service** – Players shall complete **10 hours** of community service through the Bulls Organization or through a pre-approved organization before he/she is allowed to travel to any tournaments.

**Abstinence Program** – All players, ages 12 and above are required to attend and complete this training. **Parents must attend at least 2 sessions.**

**Zero Tolerance Drug Policy** – All players are subject to random drug testing. If a player tests positive, he/she will be **IMMEDIATELY REMOVED** from the Bulls Organization.

I have read and concur: \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature

Parent Signature

# Brevard Bulls Coaching/Parent Volunteer Application

## Contact Information

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
Cellular Phone	
E-Mail Address	

## Tell us in which areas you are interested in volunteering

- Administrative/Information Distribution
- Events Coordinator
- Travel and Accommodations
- Fundraising
- Team Mom
- Tutoring
- Mentoring
- Transportation Coordinator

## Special Skills or Qualifications

Summarize special skills and qualifications you have acquired from employment, previous volunteer work, or through other activities, including hobbies or sports.

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## Previous Coaching Experience

Summarize your previous volunteer experience.

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## Person to Notify in Case of Emergency

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	

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## Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if I am accepted as a volunteer, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in my immediate dismissal.

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

## Our Policy

It is the policy of this organization to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability. Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in volunteering with us.

# TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT FORM

Name
Street Address
City ST ZIP Code
Home Phone
Work Phone
Cellular Phone
E-Mail Address

Volunteer Commitment (Please choose Friday and Saturday or Saturday and Sunday for 4 hours each day for each tournament). **Please check below the tournaments you're committing to.**

- 8th Annual Brevard Bulls Spring Classic Div I&II Boys March 16-18, 2012
- Brevard Easter Classic April 6-8, 2012
- Space Coast Classic June 1-3, 2012

I commit to volunteer for the Brevard Classic Tournament

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## Student-Athlete Internet Release Form

I give the Brevard Bulls permission to post information and pictures of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on the Brevard Bulls website. Disclosure, copying, distribution,  
and/or use of the content of pictures or information will not be posted without parental ap  
proval. This form releases the Brevard Bulls from liability of any misconduct or misuse o  
f the information provided by any person that is not a member of the *Brevard Bulls Boys  
Basketball Organization*.

- Yes, I give permission for my child's information and picture to be posted on the Brevard Bulls  
website.
- No, I do not give permission for my child's information to be posted on the website.

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Parent Signature

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Date

## Student-Athlete Information Form

First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Nickname	Date of Birth
Height		Weight		
Parent( s) Name				
Address		City	State	Zip Code
Phone No.		Work No.	Other Nos.	Email Address

Attending School	Grade
What is your favorite subject?	Most memorable moment?
What is your favorite food?	What are your hobbies?
What are your High School Plans/Sports?	
What are your College Plans/Sports?	Who is your role model?
What would you like to be when you grow up?	Who are your favorite basketball player and team?
Do you have any personal goals as a Bull?	What are your team goals?
Define the word "team."	
Emergency Contact	Phone No.
Any health conditions or medication or allergies	
Insurance Company	Name of Insured
Company Address	Policy Number

## Registration Fee and Financial Obligation

The registration fee for each basketball player of the 2012 Brevard Bulls Organization is \$275.00. This cost covers the player's AAU membership card and organizational costs. Half the registration balance is due by February 1, 2012. The remaining balance is due by March 1, 2012. Payments must be made to board members only.

Though this cost may seem extensive, there are several other expenses that need to be offset through fun draisers, bucket drops, and sponsorships. **Every player is required to attend all fundraising events.**

Player's cost for a 3-day, out-of-town tournament, traveling without a parent will be **\$50** for hotel accommodations **plus** the cost of meals. Breakfast is usually provided by the hotel. Cost does not apply to 5 to 10-day National Tournaments.

It is not the intention of the Brevard Bulls Organization to place any family in undue financial hardship. Please feel free to discuss any financial concerns that may prevent a player from attending a tournament or remaining a member of the organization, due to a financial burden, with the organization's president.

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Brevard Bulls Basketball Organization  
Registration Fee and Financial Obligation

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student-Athlete Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Before Sep. 1, 2012

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cellular \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks or money orders payable to: **Brevard Bulls Basketball Organization**

2011 AAU BOYS' BASKETBALL GRADE EXCEPTION FORM



**THIS IS A MASTER FORM - MAKE COPIES AS NEEDED**

This form must be completed and attached to each player's birth certificate that is competing under the grade exception rule. An administrator of the player's school must sign the form.

**NOTE:** All information is necessary for proper identification. Player will be rejected if information is incomplete.

DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB/TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB/NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AGE/GRADE DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER ADDRESSES: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ATTENDING 2009-2010: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

\*SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that as of 3/1/11 \_\_\_\_\_ was attending the school listed above and was in the \_\_\_\_\_ grade.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SIGNATURE                      POSITION                      DATE

