

S.F. ASSOCIATES 2010-2011 BASKETBALL APPLICATION

May 2010

The Associates is a volunteer organization, and membership in the Associates requires full participation by families and players. Membership commitments, along with the Associates Goals, Code of Ethics, and Rules of Conduct, are described in the application. It is critical that all applicants understand and agree to fulfill these responsibilities.

Please fill out and return the attached application forms if:

- You are currently an Associates member and intend to play basketball during the 2010-2011 season; or
- If you would like to add your name to the waiting list to possibly begin playing with the Associates for the 2010-2011 Season.

Annual Fees:

- **Registration fee** for the 2010-2011 Basketball Season is \$100 per player for all ages. This fee is non-refundable after September 1, 2010 and is due with the application.
- **Membership fee** for the 2010-2011 Basketball Season is for all ages and is due at the beginning of the season as follows:
 - \$300 per player
 - \$450 for 2 siblings
 - \$600 for 3 and more siblings
 - \$250 per player for open season only
- **Ad fee** for the 2010-2011 Basketball Season is \$50 per player and is due in January.

The annual membership fee covers the cost of equipment, insurance, gym time for practices, administrative and incidental costs.

By mid-August, returning members will be notified of plans to start the 2010-2011 Basketball Season. New applicants will be notified of their status by mid to late August.

The completed application form and the \$100 annual registration fee (make check payable to S.F. Associates) are due as follows:

1) For **current Associates members**, submit your application and the \$100 registration fee to your team manager before **June 5, 2010**. The team manager is responsible for collecting and submitting the team member applications and fees on or before the **June 5th Coaches Appreciation Night**.

2) For **new applicants**, mail your application and the \$100 registration fee to:

San Francisco Associates
1840 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
Attention: Basketball Membership Application

We encourage new applicants to submit their applications early, preferably by **June 30, 2010**.

If you have any questions, please contact basketball_commissioner@sassociates.org.

Thank you!

Associates Philosophy and Goals

The Associates philosophy is to provide a healthy, nurturing organized sports environment for Nikkei and Asian youth, which enables participation in high quality, competitive athletics in a team sport atmosphere.

The Associates strive to develop in our youth the basic values of:

- Sportsmanship
- Respect for individuals--teammates and competitors alike
- Discipline under the team concept
- Pride in one's self, team, organization, and community
- A sense of healthy competition
- Community service

We hope to see our youth grow not only as athletes, but also as individuals, who love the game, appreciate the opportunity to play, and uphold the Associates values and proud tradition.

Code of Ethics

It is the duty of all concerned with the Associates to emphasize the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play. Athletes, coaches, managers and parents are expected to respect the integrity and judgment of officials, to show courtesy to visiting teams, and to recognize that the purpose of the game is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the athletes.

The Associates members (including participants, their parents, coaches and managers) represent the Associates and are the Associates ambassadors at each event. As such, they are to adhere to the following rules and responsibilities.

Rules of Conduct

- 1) Members are to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner, emphasizing the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play, both on and off the field of the event while they are representing the Associates. Members are to refrain from the use of profanity or "trash" talking while at an Associates function.
- 2) Members will show courtesy to the officials, coaches and managers and will not direct abusive or profane language to them or undermine their authority. Members are expected to respect and listen to their coaches, managers and parents supporting the Associates at all times.
- 3) Each player is expected to attend all practice sessions and games. If unable to attend, they are to contact their respective coach(es) ahead of time (24 hours). If this is not complied with, it is the discretion of the coach and/or manager to enforce predetermined penalties. Unjustified absences or missed practices may result in the player's inability to play in games. This could ultimately result in a forfeiture of a game that will affect the other players.
- 4) As a team, members are to monitor each other and are expected to keep in line fellow team members who are not representing the Associates in the proper manner.
- 5) Members are to keep a positive outlook about the Associates program. Any criticism will be directed to the team manager, the Division Commissioner or a member of the Associates Steering Committee.

Parent and Player Membership Commitments

- 1) Annual registration and membership fees.
- 2) Solicit or contribute advertisements for the Associates Tournament booklet.
- 3) Team duties, including but not limited to scorekeeping, timekeeping, team snacks, hotel arrangements for out-of-town tournaments, tournament applications, end of season team celebration.
- 4) Volunteer duties for the Associates tournament, including scorekeeping, timekeeping, set up, clean up, concessions, donated food/money for social, etc.
- 5) Participate in team practices.
- 6) Participate in League games in San Francisco and within the Bay Area.
- 7) Participate in tournaments and jamborees within and outside of the Bay Area, including overnight stays.
- 8) Attend end of season Coach Appreciation celebration.
- 9) Support the Associates Goals, and follow the Code of Ethics and Rules of Conduct.

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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____ Grade in Fall _____

Address _____ Height _____ Weight _____

City _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

School _____ If in high school, will you try out for your high school team? Yes ___ No ___

Describe your basketball experience level and number of years of experience (include names of school, organization, camps, etc.) _____

How or from whom did you hear about the S.F. Associates? (new applicants) _____

PARENT INFORMATION

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____

Cell Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____

Cell Telephone _____ E-mail _____

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PARENT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

The Associates is an all-volunteer organization. In addition to the membership commitments, we need your support and volunteer help in the following areas in order to operate. Please check all areas in which you can be counted on to help.

- _____ Coach, Co-Coach (circle one)
- _____ Assistant Coach
- _____ Team Manager
- _____ Associates Tournament Chairperson
- _____ Associates Tournament Social Committee
- _____ Associates Tournament Booklet Committee
- _____ Team Tournament Hotel Coordinator for Invitational Tournaments
- _____ Quartermaster (in charge of equipment and apparel)
- _____ Assist with the organization's Website

Please list hobbies, special talents and resources/contacts that may help the Associates. _____

Additional comments _____

MEMBER AGREEMENT

I hereby agree that my child, named above, may participate in the sporting events sponsored by the S.F. ASSOCIATES (herein referred to as the "ASSOCIATES").

As consideration for having my child participate in the events sponsored by the ASSOCIATES, I hereby waive all claims against the ASSOCIATES, its Board Members, Committee Members, Commissioners, Coaches, Managers, Scorekeepers, and Timekeepers, and the Japanese Cultural Community Center of Northern California (herein referred to as the "JCCCNC") for any claims including but not limited to personal injury, death, and loss or damage to property, including theft, and release and discharge the ASSOCIATES and the JCCCNC from any liability related to or in any way connected with my child's participation in any ASSOCIATES activities.

In addition, I agree to indemnify, defend, protect, and hold harmless the ASSOCIATES and the JCCCNC from and against all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorney' fees, in whole or in part, arising out of, resulting from or in connection with my child's participation in any activities sponsored by the ASSOCIATES, even if such claim, damage, liability, loss or expense should arise from the negligence of the ASSOCIATES. However, my agreement to indemnify, defend protect, and hold harmless in the preceding sentence shall be applicable only to the extent insurance proceeds paid by insurance carried by the ASSOCIATES does not cover the amount of the claim.

If the applicant deviates from this liability waiver and indemnification policy, I understand that the applicant can be suspended from future ASSOCIATES activities.

My child has my permission to be filmed or photographed as a participant of the Associates for publicity / program purposes. I understand that no compensation will be provided.

I understand and accept the membership commitments. I have read and agree to support the Associates Goals, Code of Ethics, and Rules of Conduct. If I breach any of the Rules, I may jeopardize my or my child's participation in the ASSOCIATES.

I understand that there are no refunds of **registration fee** after **September 1, 2010**.

Participant Name _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____