



Dear Parents and Young Athletes,

As we embark on an exciting season filled with away games and tournaments, we wanted to take a moment to remind everyone of the importance of maintaining exemplary behavior while staying in hotels and participating in away games. Representing our team and community comes with the responsibility of showing respect, discipline, and sportsmanship always. Below are some guidelines to ensure a positive and enjoyable experience for our athletes, parents, and the communities we visit.

#### **At the Hotel:**

1. **Respect Hotel Property and Staff:** Treat all hotel furnishings and facilities with care as if they were your own. Be polite and respectful to all hotel staff, acknowledging their efforts to make your stay pleasant.
2. **Noise Levels:** Be mindful of other guests staying at the hotel. Keep noise levels low, especially during the evening and early morning hours. This includes avoiding loud conversations, TV volumes, and any other noise that could disturb others.
3. **Safety First:** Always walk, don't run, in hallways and public areas to avoid accidents and injuries. Do not play in elevators, stairwells, or hallways. Always be aware of hotel rules regarding pool and gym use and follow them closely for your safety and the safety of others.
4. **Room Sharing:** Respect the privacy and belongings of your roommates. Keep your area tidy and cooperate in maintaining a clean and orderly room. If you are sharing a room, be mindful of the costs - please assist with hotel costs, gas, and food money.
5. **Check-in and Check-out:** Be prompt for check-in and check-out times. Ensure that no hotel property is mistakenly packed with your belongings and that the room is left in good condition.

#### **At Away Games and Tournaments:**

1. **Punctuality:** Arrive on time for all games, meetings, and scheduled events. Being late can disrupt team strategies and shows a lack of respect for coaches, teammates, and opponents.

2. **Sportsmanship:** Win with humility, lose with grace. Respect your opponents, coaches, and officials, regardless of the game's outcome. Shake hands post-game and acknowledge good play from both sides.
3. **Team Unity:** Always support your teammates. Encourage each other and stay positive, both on and off the court. Remember, you represent your team, not just yourself.
4. **Follow Team Rules:** Abide by any curfews and team guidelines set by the coaches. These rules are in place to ensure your safety and to keep the team focused on its goals.
5. **Representing Our Community:** Remember, when you're out of town, you're not just a team; you're ambassadors for UFBA and our community. Your actions and behavior reflect on all of us. Make us proud!

We are confident that by following these guidelines, we will have a successful and enjoyable season. Let's work together to make it a great experience for everyone involved.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.