

Player Name: _____

PLAYERS: Please hand in your stapled evaluation sheet to your parents.

PARENTS: Please review the instructions below prior to opening your child's evaluation.

Dear Parent:

Please review your child's evaluation carefully. Below are some important recommendations on how to maximize the value of this important component of our classes:

1. Understand that it's normal to have a low score on the competencies if the player is still developing those skills.
 - a. It does not indicate less potential or sub-par abilities, or that s/he is not working hard. Instead your child is still learning them.
2. Use your discretion as to whether you feel it's necessary to share the final score with your child.
 - a. Our goal is to provide accurate and specific feedback, but not to discourage a player.
3. Encourage your child to work on his/her top two priorities by re-doing some of the drills s/he does during the class or using other methods, like shadow swings.
4. Understand that it's normal for some aspects to receive the same score for multiple sessions, as some skills take longer to develop than others.
 - a. It's also normal to sometimes notice a drop in proficiency in certain skills as the player is focusing in other areas and/or played less frequently.
5. Respect the views and opinions of our experienced Staff.
 - a. The Coaches were instructed to be as accurate as possible with the assessments. Giving a high score to a player that does not have the skill fully developed can do more harm than good in the long-run.
6. Refrain from comparing results with other players/parents.
 - a. Remember that each player learns at his/her own pace and comparing players often leads to frustrations.
7. Keep the evaluation sheets in a safe place so you can track your child's development over time.
8. Have realistic expectations.
 - a. Becoming great at any activity requires times and dedication. Those who train infrequently and play other sports less often, will tend to have a slower learning curve.
9. Help your child understand that small gains over a long-period of time often lead to massive results.
10. Develop your child's accountability for working hard on those skills both during and outside classes.

Thank you for your cooperation. I hope you will find these periodic evaluations extremely helpful as we work together to continue developing your child's skills both on and off-court.

Sincerely,

NTC Coaching Staff