

FBC (Finest Basketball Club)

WELCOME PACKET

Spring/Summer 2024

Dear FBC Parent (and Player),

We are proud to welcome you, your daughter and your family to the **FBC x Supreme Family** during her 2024 Spring/Summer basketball season from March to July (Sept 2024)! In partnership with the Supreme Team, we currently are hosting more than 30 branches with 100+ teams throughout the USA.

ABOUT US

Finest Basketball Club (FBC) is an organization dedicated to the development of student athletes under the age of 19 for National and International basketball competition through a rigorous athletic training program. The student athletes in our organization receive the highest quality training, which allows them to compete on a premier level.

FBC players receive a commitment from the FBC organization to provide an environment in which the athlete learns tools for the use on the basketball court, in addition tools that help them with life experiences. The level of love and support amongst FBC players, parents, and coaches creates a great learning environment for the girls, families and staff.

Combined with First Step Basketball Academy (FSBA), we encourage all our student-athletes to take the first step by chasing their dreams with hard work and dedication as we equip them for the journey. Our goal is to produce fundamental sound athletes that play hard all the time, as we assist and serve as the main platform for recruiting some of the top prospects in the country.

The Finest Basketball Club's (FBC) mission is to become the most spirited and prestigious interscholastic youth basketball alliance in the world. Our Coaching staff works daily to enhance our approach to becoming the most competitive youth basketball environments ever produced. FBC encourages all our student-athletes to chase their dreams with hard work and dedication as we equip them for the journey.

Our goal is to produce fundamental sound athletes that play hard all the time, as we assist and serve as the main platform for recruiting some of the top prospects in the country. FBC's approach to this process includes concentrated, innovative skill development training of the mind, body, and soul of our athletes. Giving them the tools to understand that the best way to reach their final destination is through persistence, discipline, and commitment to the process.

For additional program history, alumni and successes, please visit our website at <u>www.fbcstrong.com</u>. #fbcstrong We look forward to a wonderful 2024 with you & your family! Thank you ~ #FBCFamily

FBC National Club Director: Coach Mo - Alfred Motton

FBC x Supreme PROGRAM LEVELS: Exposure & Future Phenoms

In partnership with Supreme Team, FBC consists of 100+ teams who compete at various levels, nationwide. With the **Exposure** Level of Play, teams (typically players Grades $8^{th} - 11^{th}$) play and compete in tournaments and camp events which showcase their talents in front of National Evaluators and NCAA Colleges. With the **Future Phenoms** Level of Play, teams (typically players Grades $3^{rd} - 7^{th}$) play and compete in tournaments which allow them to develop beyond the competitiveness of the game while learning more about the IQs of basketball.

FBC x Supreme COACHES

As all of our Coaches are VOLUNTEERS, we believe it takes a community to develop an athlete and to raise a child. All our Coaches must pass a NCAA and USA Basketball Background check in order to coach with our program. All Coaches are provided the following criteria they must abide by at all times as they win with class and lose with dignity:

- Represent the FBC program with class, professionalism and sportsmanship
- Positively promote the program to the parents, opposing coaches, players, and community with every opportunity
- Help the players be successful on and off the court
- Be mindful of all rules and curfews for the players
- Be attentive to the players at practice, tournaments, in traveling, and at hotels

FBC x Supreme PARENT SUPPORT

FBC takes pride in having a 'family atmosphere". As our family continues to grow, we need the support of parents for extra-curricular activities, which is an important part in the overall development of any child. If you are able to assist with practices, carpools, scorebooks or in any other manner, we welcome your assistance! The Coaches are always very accessible to players and parents. We ask that after a long weekend of tournament games; please give your Coach a 24-hour window before contacting them. Mandatory: Please review the Parent Code of Conduct form online.

FBC CLUB DIRECTOR & ADMIN CONTACT INFO

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FBC x Supreme - FAQs

Question 1: What is EXPOSURE, AAU and YBOA? Exposure is the top competitive basketball tournaments played in front of NCAA college coaches. Players and Parents are evaluated at all times. Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) is a multi-sport organization, the AAU is dedicated exclusively to the promotion and development of amateur sports and physical fitness programs. Our AAU Club Code is **W3C9B4**. YBOA is dedicated to educate and motivate each member while encouraging teamwork, sportsmanship and fun through the spirit of basketball.

Question 2: What is the expected commitment of this type of basketball program? The commitment can be a big one, but also one that can bring many rewards for your daughters. This is not a "recreational" or "church" ball. The commitment also varies from team to team as some teams play more competitive schedules than others. If your daughter plays on a high-level team a high level of commitment is required. The commitment also involves a commitment from the parents with regards to time and funding. Time because parents have to be committed to getting their daughters to practices and games, and funding because the FBC is an all-volunteer organization and teams have to be supported financially in order to compete. Practices could be around the corner or an hour's drive because much depends on availability facilities. Games/Tournaments are usually on the weekends. It is expected that a player will attend all the games and practices. The key always is to communicate with your daughter's coaches about her schedule so they can plan accordingly.

Question 3: What about playing time? The amount of playing time a player receives will be based on their skill set, determination to work hard, the opponents, attendance at practice, and each Coach's philosophy. There is no guarantee that everyone will play equally but we make an effort to get each player into each game.

Question 4: How many players are usually on each team? Team rosters are left to the discretion of each individual coach within the guidelines of the program. Most teams will have 10-12 players.

Question 5: Are teams organized by age group and how are ages determined and can my daughter play 'up'? Teams are primarily determined by SKILL level, rather than grade & age. FBC encourages younger players to develop themselves so they can play up at the next grade level. For competitiveness, the whole team may choose to play up at the next level in tournaments. This increased level of competition helps in preparation for highly competitive tournaments.

Question 6: What grade levels does FBC have teams? FBC has teams in grade levels from 3rd through 11th grade. Grades 8th – 11th typically play on a National Exposure Basketball Tournament Circuit throughout the United States.

Question 7: What is the role of a parent within the FBC organization? A FBC parent will be expected to be encouraging to their athlete, encouraging to their daughter's coach, non-confrontational to referees, and to work as a team with the other parents. It takes a lot of cooperation and goodwill to have a team run smoothly. There is a Code of Conduct for Parents and Players to sign in order to insure proper behavior.

Question 8: Who are the FBC coaches? All Volunteer Coaches have the ability to teach basketball at a highly competitive level and have the temperament to deal with referees, other coaches, parents and players. Our Head coaches have significant coaching experience and are masters in player development. All Coaches are certified via NCAA USA Basketball and completed a background check.

Question 9: Why So Many Trips / Tournaments? The reason for all the travel is for Exposure & Competition on a National Circuit. With the AAU Association-level tournaments and NCAA Certified tournaments, the players are participating in all the major tournaments that afford the best competition and exposure to high level competition and to the NCAA college coaches. The NCAA colleges can only watch during set times of the year (typically April, May & July). Tournaments and events outside this period are done to prepare the players and teams for those observation events. The process of exposure is critical for gaining a college scholarship. The more they can see and evaluate the player, the better opportunity to gain a scholarship. The competition enhances the player's ability through constant high-level challenges in basketball. All these events help the player improve.

Question 10: What is the cost to join the organization? Will there be fundraisers to offset the expenses of the travel organization season? Our fees vary from team to team based on the number of tournaments they schedule, gym fees, cost of team gear etc. FBC Individual Team Fees can range from \$650 - \$1450. FBC has fundraisers planned to help offset costs associated with joining the organization / team.

INSURANCE POLICY INFORMATION FBC (Finest Basketball Club) does have Player Insurance with the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, Inc. (AAU). In order to obtain supplemental insurance, each player must register for their AAU Membership for the current year 2024. The cost is approximately \$30. Please visit <u>https://play.aausports.org</u> for more details. **FBC Code: W3C9B4**

Additional Questions? Please contact your FBC Team Coach or Club Director.

<u>Click here to review the PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT</u> As a basketball player on the FBC & Supreme Teams, you are expected to uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship, integrity, and commitment. Visit: <u>www.fbcstrong.com</u> Player Info. Parent & Player Portal.

Additional FBC x Supreme 2024 Announcements

Has your Daughter completed their registration? Please visit www.FBCSTRONG.com – FBC Player Registration

The FBC (and Supreme) Player Registration process is to formally link players to their teams and list them on the rosters for basketball tournaments. This process ensures that organizers have necessary information about participants, facilitates communication, and helps in planning and organizing final rosters and other basketball activities effectively. Please adhere to the steps below to register. Each year you must "refresh your account". Your registration process must be completed by early April 2024. Thanks! Please visit www.FBCSTRONG.com

- STEP 1: FBCSTRONG Player Registration (MANDATORY)
- STEP 2: COMMUNICATION APPS
- STEP 3: NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER & BBCS REGISTRATION

Social Media

Student athletes should maintain a clean social media presence at all times. It is crucial as it directly impacts their reputation, eligibility, and future opportunities. College recruiters, coaches, and potential sponsors often review social media profiles to assess character and behavior. Inappropriate content can jeopardize scholarship offers, athletic eligibility, and career prospects. Maintaining a clean image demonstrates responsibility, professionalism, and respect, enhancing chances for recruitment, sponsorship, and academic success. By keeping a positive online presence, student athletes can protect their reputation, build trust with stakeholders, and maximize their potential for success both on and off the court.

Please follow your FBC x Supreme program on Social Media and tag them as often as you can. Ask your Coach for their Social Media handle information as many Teams/Programs have great platforms. The main FBC social media handles include:

https://www.instagram.com/fbcstrong https://twitter.com/fbcmotton