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## Officiating....

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Officials....we really don't like them, especially the ones who will not engage during the course of a game. Those with the attitude of "I don't have to address you" and ignore coaches AND players are the most difficult. Sure, coaches really get on the refs and probably question or disagree with 70-80% of their calls. That's the nature of the game. All the coaches really want or can realistically expect is to have the officials do the following: 1. Be in POSITION to make the calls. Hustle, move, change ends of the court when the ball does. 2. COMMUNICATE with both coaches and players. Talk to them during free throws. Admit it when a mistake is made..."I probably missed that one"...Don't have an attitude and act as if the paying customers came to see you make a charge/block call. 3. UNDERSTAND EMOTIONS.....the game is very emotional. Take that into consideration. Players and coaches react with emotion. Don't stare them down

looking for an opportunity to call a tech. This is not to say that techs should not be give, of course they should. 4. Know the RULES.....especially true of high school officials. Many times the coaches know the book better than the refs. Study. 5. If you are going to engage in dialogue with one head coach, make sure the other head coach gets EQUAL TIME in conversation. Show no favoritism to either side.

Now, on the flip side.....and this is for high school coaches. Here is what I have found can help you with the officials. If it's your home game, have a nice, clean place for them to shower and change. Provide water and towels at ALL TIME OUTS. Know their names. Provide Gatorade and fruit and half time. Have security for them after the game. Even though we know they will make several bad calls and are prone to have a "bad game" seemingly every time, these common courtesies can help have a couple of calls maybe go your way.

Officials.....we don't like them, but have to live with them. They probably feel the same way about us.....

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