**2018 FATHER DUENAS ALUMNI BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: BY-LAWS**

**ENTRANCE FEES:**

1. Registration Forms and/or entrance fees are due no later than **Sunday, June 24, 2017**. No entrance fee, no game, **NO EXCEPTIONS**! A strict **$50 late fee** will be assessed for each game forfeited as a result of unpaid entrance fee. Teams must pay all dues, including late fees, before they can play a game.
2. Each team (class) must have all recorded debts “Paid in Full” with the Father Duenas Alumni Association (FDAA) Sports Committee Chairman before registration is turned in.
3. All fees are NON-REFUNDABLE in the event that a team fails to continue or complete the tournament.
4. All players must sign and submit the liability/waiver forms provided by the class of 2008 and the FDAA. No player will be allowed to play in any scheduled game until a liability/waiver form is signed and submitted. All forms will be verified.

**UNIFORMS:**

1. Complete uniforms will NOT be mandatory; however, EACH player MUST have a jersey/shirt in both a similar dark color (black, dark blue, dark red, etc.) AND a white color, preferably with a number or name.
	1. **Gray is BOTH “dark” and “light”.** A dry, gray shirt which looks lighter in color quickly becomes a dark shirt as the game goes on. Please avoid this color, if possible.
2. In the event that two teams have similar colors (determined by the referee), the older class will have the choice of choosing their respective color. Additionally, the older class reserves the right to invoke the “shirts & skins” rule, should the younger class not have a consistent color among them that is not the same as the older class.

**ROSTER & REGULATIONS:**

1. Eligibility is defined as meeting one the following criteria:
	1. **From 2018 on**
		1. PLAYER must have achieved/possess a FDMS high school diploma
	2. **From 2008 to 2017**
		1. PLAYER must have a minimum of 2 FULL years of enrollment at FD
	3. **From 1948 – 2007**
		1. PLAYER must have participated in the Tournament in the past
		2. PLAYER must have a record of attendance at Father Duenas
		3. PLAYER must submit a letter to the FDAA **and** gain FDAA **approval**
	4. PLAYER must be an honorary alumni as determined by the FDAA
	5. Alumni Listing will be placed at scorer’s table. Each PLAYER must be approved before stepping on the court for a game.
	6. If there is a player whose eligibility is questioned, the FDAA Sports Committee will confirm with the FD Administration.
2. All players must be 18 years of age or have a parental release.
3. Any team caught allowing an ineligible player to play during a game will result in forfeit for all games in which the ineligible player played.
4. There is NO limit to the number of players on the team roster. Players’ names can be added at any time during the game, however and to avoid delays, please attempt to write the players name(s) you think will be present prior to the start of the game. Enter the players FULL NAME in the scorebook. This way, GSPN can accurately report that person’s performance.
5. All players are eligible for the playoffs, regardless of the number, or lack thereof, of regular round robin games they have participated in.
6. All traditional, unwritten rules will be in full effect, i.e. youngest class cleans the gym, does beverage runs, etc. In an effort to preserve these traditions, please do not abuse them. Bottom line: don’t be a feckin a-hole when invoking our traditions to the younger alumni.
7. Combined classes: any class that has celebrated their 10-year reunion may combine with another class that is either 2 years up or down from their year. (EX: Class of ’98 may combine with any of the following classes: 96, 97, 99, or 2000.) Only after their 20-year reunion is a class allowed an “open” roster. Any waiver to this policy must be approved by the FDAA and/or voted on at the meeting prior to the start of tournament.

**GAME RULES:**

1. The tournament will follow NCAA rules, with the following exceptions:
	1. There will be two (2), twenty (20) minute halves and a five (5) minute half time intermission (non-interruptible).
	2. Each team will be allowed **4 time-outs per game**, to be used at any time.
	3. The older class has the option of stealing one of the younger class’s time outs.
	4. The first thirty seven (37) minutes will be running time, with the last three (3) minutes stop clock on every dead ball, with the following exceptions:
		1. Team time-outs
		2. Technical or intentional fouls
		3. Ejection of player
		4. Referee discretion
	5. Games will be single round robin. The tournament will be divided into four divisions to be determined by the host class and FDAA sports director.
	6. Each team must have at least five (5) players to start the game. A **five** minute “grace period” from scheduled tipoff time will be given before a forfeit is declared in favor of the team with at least 5 players present on the court. If a team with a legal lineup is willing to extend the grace period an additional five minutes, they may do so, however, this will be taken as official game time. The official timer will start the clock as if the game were in progress.
	7. There will be no jewelry allowed on any part of player’s body during the game.
	8. If a player(s), coach or bench personnel is ejected from the game for unsportsmanlike or flagrant conduct, that player may suspended for the next game. If they are ejected a second time, they will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament. The FDAA Sports Committee holds and reserves final decision authority on such suspensions.
	9. Each team is responsible for wiping up any wet or slippery spots on their side of the floor, especially if its beer. **Excessive spilling of beer will NOT be tolerated**!
	10. In the event of a tie score, the game will continue with an overtime “Shoot-out.” Each team must decide on 5 players to shoot one 3-point shot each from any spot on the court in an alternating fashion. The team with the most makes wins the game. In the event there is another tie, a second round of shooting will take place at which each team can keep the original 5 players or substitute as many as necessary. The shootout out will continue until a winner is determined. The older class chooses both (1) the basket where the shoot-out shall take place and (2) which class shoots first.
		1. PLAYOFFS: 3-minute OVERTIME period will commence, with the last minute stop time. Each team will receive one additional time out. No timeout stealing is allowed during overtime.
	11. Each team is responsible for cleaning up their respective sides of the bench after each game.
	12. Please afford the referees your usual FD-like sportsmanship

**CONDUCT:**

1. THE CLASS OF 2008 WILL NOT TOLERATE ANY FIGHTING ON THE COURT. However, the class of 2008 will be willing to accommodate the fight outside the gym after the game, so long as the combatants agree to “kiss and make up” and drink a beer together after the fight, regardless of the outcome.
	1. Any player involved in an altercation on the court will be subject to corrective action including, but not limited to suspension for the remainder of the tournament and/or removal from all future FDAA events.
2. DUNKING will be allowed, so long as you can do it, and you have a current tetanus shot. Dunk at your own risk…we can’t stress how much we really mean that.
3. Each class representative is responsible for the action of their players, spectators and fans.
4. Any aggression toward the game officials, staff, etc. on or off the court may lead to a possible suspension from the tournament.
5. NO DRINKING and DRIVING …on or off the court.
6. **UNDERAGE DRINKING: the legal age to consume alcohol is 21 years. Any class caught in violation of this law will be given a first and final warning, both verbal and followed by a written warning via email. Any class caught in violation of this law AFTER the “first & final” warning is issued will be dismissed for the remainder of the tournament without refund. No exceptions to this rule shall apply!**

**FORFIETS & PROTESTS:**

1. Any team/class that forfeits a game will be assessed a $50.00 fee for each game that is forfeited. This “forfeit fee” must be paid prior to the start of their next scheduled game. Failure to do so may result in removal from the tournament and/or an indefinite suspension from all future FDAA sanctioned events. A forfeit is defined as not having 5 eligible players from that class/team to start the game. (Refer to GAME RULES, (f).
2. Any team with two (2) forfeits will automatically be dismissed for the reminder of the tournament, without refund.
3. Protested games continue, but teams, officials, class of 2008 rep and FDAA Sports Committee must be notified that game is under protest before the end of the game.
4. If at all possible, try NOT to protest…the class of 2008 has enough work as is.

**PLAYOFFS:**

1. In the event two (2) or more teams have identical records by the end of the regular season, the following tie breakers will be used in order of precedence:
	1. Head to head winner
	2. Points for / points against
2. The playoffs will commence after the regular season with all teams making the playoffs. Teams will be “semi-seeded”, meaning that seeds will initially be determined by overall record, and then may be altered at the discretion of the host class and/or the FDAA Sports Committee.

**TOURNEY COMMISSION:**

For all other issues that may arise, an official team representative may bring to the attention of the class of 2008 tournament director or the FDAA Sports Director. The FDAA Sports Committee Chairman, at his discretion, may convene the Sports Committee members for final decision. The FDAA Sports Committee shall have FINAL say on any and all matters as it relates to the tournament and future participation in FDAA events.

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**THE CLASS OF 2008 RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ALTER ANY PART OF THESE BY-LAWS WITHOUT WARNING, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE FDAA SPORTS COMMITTEE.**

**The undersigned, as a representative of the team/class listed below, hereby agrees to all terms of these by-laws.**

**CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**CLASS REPRESENATIVE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**(PRINT NAME):**

**SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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