



## PHBA Team Basket Directions/FAQ 2018

**Q: *What “theme” is my team supposed to represent in our basket?***

A: Generally, we like the instructional teams to focus on more of a “family” theme like baseball, amusement parks, toys, etc – and work your way up the age ladder with more adult geared ideas... however, this is **NOT** law. Please go wild and crazy with your creativity! As we appreciate **ALL** of the wonderful thought you and your team put into your team’s basket!

**Q: *How much value should our team basket at?***

A: Minimum value is \$225. Generally speaking – the MORE value, the MORE it can sell for at auction for your child’s baseball/softball league fundraiser. Get creative!

**Q: *How do I package my team basket?***

A: Simple: Any way you would like. Size does NOT matter....:-) Please make sure you provide in signage, your **teams name, team division girls/boys, the basket name, WHO put your wonderful piece together (get some credit where it’s due!), a list of what is inside, and the \$ value.** Please also make sure your team “basket” is secure to where items will not fall out. We say “basket”, however – it can be a box, wagon, a tree, barrel, bag or even a large item in of itself (like for instance a tool box, tree or a cooler). Be creative!

**Q: *How do I get funds/items to purchase items for my team basket?***

A: Typically, asking your teams parents to help out is your number one source. You can ask your team coordinator to give you the team roster emails so that you can get started in your collecting or some coordinators just include this within 1 flat cost together with shirt lettering, coach gifts and end of season party. Normally, we have asked each player’s family to contribute around \$19-25 to support this cause. You can also donate items! Ask your team if they have anything at home they can spare (gift cards left over from the Holiday’s, services etc.) that would go with your theme and idea in place of cash. We also have a donation letter for PHBA with our TAX ID by request only with approved listed companies if necessary.

**Q: *What are the team basket’s used for?***

A: The team basket is a fundraising process for PHBA that we will either raffle off or auction off at 1 of our 4 selected events during the season. Opening Day, Picture Day, selected Saturday games and most importantly our Annual Parent Appreciation Banquet. Our fundraisers help keep our fields/grounds looking their best, our snack shack in tip-top shape, and help provide our community’s children with a healthy, positive and active outlet for all to enjoy.

**Q: What is the MAXIMUM dollar amount I can spend on our team basket?**

A: There is **NO MAXIMUM.** The sky is the limit! Make **YOUR** team's basket be the #1 STUNNER STAND-OUT that THE WHOLE TOWN IS TALKING ABOUT!

**Q: What if our team does not have a basket volunteer?**

A: All teams should have one. If your team does not, please ask someone to step up ASAP. It is mandatory that ALL teams provide a team basket. If there are issues, we can defer to a buyout situation at \$300 directly to PHBA by April 1st. But we would rather have the creativity and showcase effect!

**Q: When and where do I hand off my team basket?**

A: We are asking that all team baskets be turned in on Thursday, March 1st at the PHBA sports complex behind the snack shack between 6pm and 7pm. If you are not able to make these due dates, please contact Lena Takahashi at [phabanquet@gmail.com](mailto:phabanquet@gmail.com) so that arrangements can be made in the upcoming weeks. If you absolutely cannot make Thursday's drop off (though it would be appreciated) we will be on standby at the PHBA sports complex accepting baskets between 10am & 12pm on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at Opening Day. We can't rush FABULOUS! If you are **STILL** needing more time, please contact:

Lena Takahashi or Melissa Lyon, PHBA Board of Directors, 2018 Banquet Co-Chairs.

**Q: Can I have someone else drop off my teams basket if I am not available?**

A: The answer is **YES** – but please make sure they are a trustworthy individual and they have your LAFF form for sign off. This form can be found on the PHBA website for printable downloading in the volunteer and forms area.

Thank you once again for your **AMAZING** creativity and volunteer efforts AND for keeping our PHBA Basket tradition alive for so many great years in this great community of ours. You are truly appreciated and we look forward to seeing some OUTSTANDING team baskets this year! As always, "It takes a village!"

Best regards,

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