



## **WELCOME TO MASS ELITE AAU BASKETBALL'S NATIONAL PROGRAM**

We would like to welcome all the new players and welcome back players from last year. Prior to the start of the season we would like to get all of the housekeeping issues listed below completed as soon as possible. There is a good amount of work needed here but once completed we will not have to bother you throughout the season trying to get these items!

- 1) All paperwork – such as commitment letters and health waivers must be signed and returned to our office – 35 Main Street, Topsfield MA 01983.**
- 2) Payment of \$625 in full before the first practice to be eligible to participate in all Mass Elite Events - practices, skills and tournaments. All paper work and checks can be sent to Mass Elite at 35 Main St., Topsfield, MA 01983.**
- 3) You can now go on our year round online store – LOCATED AT [www.masselitebasketball.com](http://www.masselitebasketball.com) and order your uniform directly with our vendor - Sewforth. The cost is \$75 for 2 jerseys and the team shorts. On the order form, please list that you are on a national team, your coach and number desired. Numbers will be given on a first come first serve basis and please list a first and second choice of number. All National Team Jerseys will have a different look this**

**year. The logo on the jersey you see online will not be the logo you get. We will have a sample at orientation to show everyone and we hope to distribute the uniforms at our first week of practice.**

**4) Everyone on a National Team needs an AAU card to be eligible to play in AAU sanctioned events. Our Club Code is XTBEFX. Please go to <http://aausports.org/JoinAAU.aspx> and select the athlete membership with added benefit which costs \$14. That will give complete tournament and insurance coverage to all players.**

**5) We need a copy of everyone's AAU card, birth certificate and report card (the most recent one you have). These items are needed to prove age and grade to AAU for state, regional and national events. Without them, a player will not be allowed to participate in those events. You can email them back to me here or mail them to our office located at 35 Main Street, Topsfield MA 01983.**

### **OUR PHILOSOPHY**

Mass Elite's National AAU program wants to stress the importance that attending all practice and skill sessions are MANATORY during the season. It is important for each and every player to make a FULL commitment to the team. We are going to many high level tournaments and we need to be in top condition as individuals and as a team so please try to make every practice and skill session.

Also no position or playing time is guaranteed so the players with the best attendance, attitude and work effort will get more consideration than the player who rarely shows up. If a player needs to miss for a legitimate reason - injured, sick, family problem or academic – we ask that the player not the parent call the teams head coach.

***\*As an “AAU-sponsored and operated program” our program plays an AAU-Sanctioned tournament schedule – all tournaments attended being sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union or its affiliates.***