**PHASES OF BASKETBALL - RANK OF IMPORTANCE**

***You Can’t Be Good At Everything… Choose What You Want to Be Great At and Make That Your Identity!***

**What I Want To Be Great At:** *(Max Of 3)*

**1) Transition Defense** – We will not give up easy baskets, especially lay-ups! Guards get back on the Release of the Shot!

**2) Defensive Rebounding** – All 5 players will: 1) Clear Space, 2) Attack the Rebound, & 3) Flow Quickly into Offensive Transition

**3) Half Court Zone Defense** – The 1-3-1 is my primary defense and we will run it several different ways in the half court and 3/4 court situations. We will run this to the point of perfection.

**What I Want To Be Good At:** *(3-5)*

**4) Half Court Offense** – In this phase of the game we want a non-stop controlled attack on the opponent. We will constantly attack the defense looking for a weakness to exploit while protecting the ball. We will not turn the ball over and will not shoot just for the sake of shooting. We will attack until we find the shot that we want, not the one the defense wants us to take.

**5) ELOB Offense** – This is a controlled situation for us and I want to score on 90% of these possessions!

**6) Half Court Man Defense** – This will be a change-up defense for us. We will be a strong defensive team and do not want this as a weakness for us, however it is secondary to our 1-3-1

**7) Full Court Press Offense –** Teams will use a press to change the momentum and make you speed your game up to the point of making mistakes. We will be cool under pressure and play our game, especially in full court situations.

**What I Can Live With As A Weakness:** (2-3)

**8) Full Court Press Defense** – A good press defense thrown into the game at the right time can change the momentum of a game very quickly. We will utilize press defenses to capitalize on various weaknesses of our opponent and place ourselves to be in a position to win at the end of the game

**9) Transition Offense** – My transition offense fits into our Half Court Offensive Philosophy of letting our players use their skill, instinct, and talent to play basketball. When we have an opportunity we will push the ball up the floor as cleanly and quickly as possible to allow us to get points. We will not do this at the expense of losing energy, play smart!

**10) ELOB Defense** – ELOB points can change a game, however - Our focus here is to keep the opponent from scoring, make them settle for just getting it in.

**11) Offensive Rebounding** – My Offensive Philosophy is to be patient and take high quality / high percentage shots. Because of this I believe in getting the maximum amount of defenders back in transition as early as possible. On any offensive shot, all guards will sprint back and form an umbrella around the goal. The Post player(s) will attack the glass for an offensive put back and then sprint back on defense.

**What I Can Live Without Practicing:** (At least 1, something you squeeze in only if you have time)

**12) Free Throws** – This is simply a focused, form shot that relies on mental toughness. We will not spend a lot of practice time on this; instead we will leave it up to the players to work on this before or after practice on their own time