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## What People Are Saying About Upward Sports

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*“Upward Basketball was the **highlight of my life**. I started playing basketball for Upward Sports when I was five years old. I didn’t miss a game or practice for seven years. My coaches were always **supportive and friendly**.”*

—J. Boswell, Former Upward Sports Player

### Parents

*“My son has grown each year through his participation with Upward Flag Football and Upward Basketball. **His skills are improving as well as his sportsmanship**. We were not getting that in other leagues.”*

J. Bishop (Boiling Springs, SC)

*“Upward Sports has created an opportunity for me to bond with my kids. I coached my daughter’s first basketball season and my son’s first soccer season. **We had fun, they learned new skills, teamwork and gained self-confidence**. Looking forward to coaching my son in flag football this fall!”*

Dad and Coach

*“I really liked the one-day-a-week practice schedule and one-game-on-Saturday for the simple reason that we could fit it in easily and know that the atmosphere of coaches and parents would be **about participation and learning, not just about winning**.”*

T. Tatum (Birmingham, AL)

*“This is a **really good program**. It’s not just about basketball or winning. They **teach the kids values and good sportsmanship**. I’m not a member of this church, and I have no problem with it.”*

B. Fehr (Baton Rouge, LA)

*“I found out last night that I will be coaching my daughter’s flag football team! I am extremely excited to get back to Upward Sports after coaching in other leagues. **The spiritual principles I learn in Upward Sports really help me to say focused on what’s important**. Thank you Upward Sports, and thank God for guiding me here!”*

Mom and Coach

### Coaches & Volunteers

*“Although I am of a different faith, I still volunteer as a coach. I feel that Upward Sports motivates children that might not otherwise play a sport, and it is wonderful for coaches and parents that all **players are treated fairly and play equal time**.”*

R. Bhardwaj (Harrisburg, NC)

*“The goal [of Upward Sports] is that **every child gets the same play time**. You’re never going to get better unless you practice.”*

T. St. Cin (Flint, MI)

*“I have been involved in youth athletics as a player, coach, administrator, official, etc. my entire life and **Upward Sports is the best organization** I have ever been associated with.”*

Coach (Grayson, KY)

*“[Upward Sports has] made a **tremendous change in my life** and also in my team’s lives. It’s amazing what having fun can do.”*

Volunteer

## **Church Partners**

*“**Upward Soccer is the biggest winner I’ve found in children’s ministry.** To be fair, it will take some hard work. . .It will take a fresh crusade of volunteer recruitment. . . But when you see the crowds of children and parents, you’ll know it was worth it.”*

T. Kummer (Madison, IN)

*“I’ve seen changes each year in the children who participate in the program. Their **attitudes change, their playing development improves** and their temperament to other players and family members matures and strengthens.”*

K. Wilkerson (Baton Rouge, LA)

*“The Upward Sports Program is the **complete package—from quality products to the rewarding experience** of everyone who participates.”*

K. Hicks (San Antonio, TX)

*“Upward Sports seeks to help **children grow not only as an athlete but emotionally, mentally, socially, physically and spiritually.** The program also allows players to feel like they made a significant contribution to their team.”*

D. Downing (Marietta, GA)

*“It’s a ministry that’s been **more effective than any ministry that I’ve ever been a part of.** Upward is the complete package.”*

T. McGrath (Wichita, KS)