



BOYS BASKETBALL



Goal: The primary goal of the league is to develop your son's joy of basketball and improve his skills. We strive to create a team approach/spirit, improve understanding of the fundamentals and practice within healthy competition.

Recreational League: The 1st grade is combined into a single conference. Grades 2-6 have 2 conferences, Eastern and Western. Each conference attempts to match skill sets so all players have an enjoyable experience. The Eastern conference is more competitive than the Western.

Junior High League: The JH league is combined for 7th and 8th graders and has one conference. Teams are formed and practice begins following school team selections-typically late October.

High School Intramurals: Open to all students-boys and girls. All grades play together but can choose from 2 conferences with one being more competitive. Season begins in January and concludes in March.

Travel League: For those players interested, a travel league exists for grades 3-6. Each grade is split by the appropriate high school [HSE or Fishers] and within each grade there may be up to 3 different teams. The evaluations will be performed by the HSE and Fishers high school coaches. The travel league will compete with nearby towns. Players selected for travel teams will not play in the recreational league.

Registration: Register at the S.P.O.R.T.S. office or on-line at www.hsesports.org. Registration for boys basketball begins in August and closes at the end of September for recreation league grades 1-6. JH league and HS intramurals registration remains open through October. After registration is closed, a waiting list will be started.

Evaluations: To participate in the travel league, you must attend evaluations conducted by either Fishers or HSE high school coaches...typically mid-September. For the recreational league, evaluations will be conducted by the basketball board in November for grades 2-6 and JH.

Time Commitment: The recreational league for grades 1-6 runs from the beginning of November to the middle of March. JH plays from Jan to March. Typically, the teams will practice 1 time per week and play games on Saturdays. Weekday practices are scheduled to begin and end somewhere within the 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. time frame. Days and times depend on gym availability. Saturday games begin and end somewhere within the 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. time frame. Practices and games will take place in Hamilton Southeastern school district gyms. The travel league runs from early October to the middle of March. Travel teams will typically practice 2 times per week and play games 2 times per week.

HS intramurals start in January and end in March. There is no practice, and games will only be played on Sunday evenings at HSE and/or Fishers HS.



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Team Selection: 1st Grade- There is only one conference and the League Commissioner chooses teams.

Grades 2-6- Teams will be formed via draft for both the Eastern and Western Conferences. Head coaches will select the teams.

Jr. High League- Teams will be formed via draft. There is only one conference

For the recreational league, teams will NOT be divided based upon Fishers versus HSE high school boundaries.

Cost: \$125 for grades 1st-6th, and \$130 for 7th-8th grades. \$285 is the family maximum. This cost covers jersey, S.P.O.R.T.S membership dues, insurance, officials, etc. The travel league may cost an additional amount to cover additional uniforms and gym time.

Refund Policy: While registration is still open, a full refund (less \$32 S.P.O.R.T.S. non-refundable processing fee) will be given to players that pull out of the league. After registration is closed, no refunds will be given.

Coach Selection: Parent coaches and independent coaches are utilized. The grade commissioner along with the basketball board will select the recreational league coaches. Both high schools provide additional assistance for the travel programs.

Playing Time: The recreational league intends to provide equal playing time for all players. The travel program is intended to be more competitive and playing time will vary based upon performance.

General Rules:

- 1st-6th grade will use will use 28.5 size basketballs, JH and HS will use a 29.5 size basketballs.
- League will provide referees for all grades.
- 1st grade will play on 8ft goals, 2nd grade will play on 9ft goals, remaining grades on 10ft goals.