



# HAMILTON LITTLE LADS BASKETBALL

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Hamilton Little Lads Basketball Families...

This past Monday, Governor Murphy announced that indoor practices/competitions for “Medium Risk” sports (which includes basketball) may begin. This was the final step that was needed for us to proceed with a season.

As of this moment, there has been no change to the January date to begin using the school gyms. While we would certainly like to be able to start the season as soon as possible, we understand that the schools still need time to adjust to the new restrictions being placed on everyone who uses their buildings. We will continue to plan for a January start and adjust accordingly if anything with that date changes.

There will be significant restrictions in place when we are able to begin play. As of right now, the maximum number of people allowed at any indoor event is 25% of capacity, or 25 people – whichever is LESS. If more than 25 people are required for an event, then that will be allowed as long as the 25% of capacity is not surpassed. In that scenario, spectators would NOT be allowed at the event.

For our typical basketball game, roughly 30 people are required. That would mean no spectators. That obviously presents some problems, particularly with the younger divisions. We are still exploring the possibility of streaming games (a challenge in itself), but it's understandable that a parent would want to stay with a 7, 8, or 9 year old. These are the type of issues the Board and I need to work through.

Our hope is that the number of cases and rate of transmission over the next several weeks will allow the state to ease these restrictions. As has been the case for the last six months, it's a very fluid situation that is still evolving.

We will continue to stay on top of any changes, and communicate them as soon as possible. Plans will remain in place to open registration, in some manner, on November 15. Registration will remain open until we reach the maximum number of players we can accommodate (which will be much less than previous seasons).

Stay safe!

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