

RECREATION LEAGUE

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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- 1. How do I register for the recreation league?** Online registration is available through the middletonbasketballclub.com website. Deadline is first week in November.
- 2. Who can play on the MBC recreation league teams?** Any child in the MCPASD in grades 2-6. Second grade is an instructional league, third grade plays 3v3 games, 4th, 5th and 6th grades play 5v5 games. 5th and 6th grades are combined on teams. 4th grade is separate.
- 3. Can I make requests on the registration to have a friend on the team?** Yes but there are no guarantees. We try to have at least 2 or 3 students from the same school on one team. We try not to have teams that have all members from the same school.
- 4. Why do the 3rd graders play 3v3 games?** 3v3 is better for skill development. A player can't "hide" in a 3v3 format. They get more touches on the ball.
- 5. How are teams formed?** In mid November, interested parent coaches meet and form even teams through a draft process. Requests from the registration form are considered during this process.
- 6. When am I notified what team my child is on?** By the end of November your child's coach should contact you with team information.
- 7. What information will be on the website?** Coach contact information and game schedules.
- 8. When do practices begin?** First to second week in December for 3rd-6th grades, first Saturday after winter break for 2nd grades.
- 9. What day do we practice?** This is variable due to gym scheduling and gym availability. Coaches may request a first, second and third choice. Younger grades typically practice earlier.
- 10. How many days a week do we practice?** 2nd grade has one instructional session on Saturday mornings, 3rd-6th grades have one practice per week.
- 11. How long are practices?** 2nd and 3rd grade are one hour, 4th-6th grades are one and one half hours.
- 12. When are games?** Saturdays beginning after winter break and going for 10 Saturdays. Times are variable but typically younger grades are morning and older are late morning, early afternoon.

- 13. Are scores and records kept?** Second grade is instructional only. 3rd grade plays games with referees and a clock but no score is kept. 4th-6th grades keep score but no league records are tracked. The only time a win/loss record is kept is during the 5th/6th grade tournament at the end of the season.
- 14. Do MBC teams play other area teams?** Yes, Cross Plains offers a basketball club for 3rd-6th grades. Our teams have a combined schedule with Cross Plains and occasionally we travel to Cross Plains (usually Park Elementary School) for games. In addition, we are adding something new for 4th grade this year. We have combined with the Waunakee Rec Dept in the 4th grade only so our 4th grade teams will have some games in Waunakee and Waunakee teams will travel to Middleton. This was started in order to increase the size of the league and not have teams playing each other every other week.
- 15. Who referees the games?** Our recreational games are refereed by high schoolers. They are trained by our referee coordinator but are not WIAA certified. Using high school students gives them an opportunity to learn and at the same time helps us keep down our costs.
- 16. What is Tri County/Tournament Only basketball?** Tri County basketball is available to girls and boys in 4th-8th grades. Girls' Tri County occurs in the fall and boys after Winter break. Tri County teams play against other community teams. There is some travel involved on the weekends within an hour of Middleton. There are evaluations in early September in order to place players on teams according to ability. Tournament only teams are sometimes formed from the first team when they decide not to play Tri County.
- 17. Can my daughter play in the Recreational League after the Tri County season?** Yes, the girls' Tri County season ends in mid December. Players that are on Tri County teams that are not continuing their season by playing tournaments may sign up for the 4th and 5th/6th grade recreational league. The player must pay the normal recreation league fee to participate. Players coming from Tri County teams will be split up in order to keep the league as balanced as possible.
- 18. How do I let MBC know that I'm interested in coaching?** There is a spot on the registration form to indicate your willingness to coach.
- 19. If I decide to coach, what resources are available to help me?** MBC offers training materials and instructional clinics.
- 20. Other questions?** Please direct to Meriel Rongstad, Recreation Commissioner at rongstad@chorus.net.