

MORRISVILLE WOLVES YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM



October 5, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are very excited to provide students in grades 1-6 with an opportunity to enjoy the game of basketball. Our main goal of this program is to provide our youth with basic skill development and knowledge of the game of basketball, as well as principles centered within teamwork, sportsmanship, and being a good citizen.

We are extremely pleased to have many citizens step forward and volunteer their time to get this program started and to have it move ahead for many years to come. The program will run from December 5, 2009 through February 13, 2010. The Saturday morning session for the 1/2 boys and girls will end on January 16th. With registration occurring earlier this year, we intend to have teams set by December 5th with games to follow for the 3-6 grade teams until somewhere around February 13th.

Here is the schedule that we will follow:

1/2 Boys and Girls	Saturday	8:30-9:45	Elementary School
3/4 Girls	Saturday	10:00-11:15	Elementary School
	Monday	4:00-5:15	Elementary School
3/4 Boys	Saturday	8:00-9:50	High School
	Wednesday	4:00-5:30	Elementary School/Other
5/6 Girls	Saturday	11:30-1:00	Elementary School
	Monday	5:30-7:00	Elementary School
5/6 Boys	Saturday	10:00-12:00	High School
	Wednesday	5:30-7:00	Elementary School/Other

What will your basketball player need to have for practice?

- Sneakers (must bring them to practice and put them on at the gym)
- Water bottle labeled with a name
- Shorts
- Basketball: 1/2 players bring every time, 3-6 is optional, but recommended
- T-Shirt of some sort, one will be provided during the first week of the program

NEED TO BE 10 MINUTES EARLY FOR PRACTICE TIME – GYM TIME IS PRECIOUS!!!!

HOUSEKEEPING NOTE: All players who will practice at the Elementary School need to enter the gymnasium through the back entrance of the school by the cafeteria. If your child has a 4:00 practice at the elementary school, he/she may not wander around the school beforehand.

Program Outline for 2009-2010:

1st/2nd Grade:

- Skill development in the areas of dribbling, passing, shooting, defense
- Basic rules of the game
- Basic and common language associated with the game, such as traveling, double dribble, pivot foot, and parts of the court
- Lead-up games and activities to foster skills learned
- Understanding of teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, and respect on and off the court
- Possibly games within the program depending on skill development

3rd/4th Grade:

- Skill development in the areas of dribbling, passing (chest, bounce, overheard), shooting technique, recognizing different types of defense (zones and man-to-man), and positions
- Basic rules of the game
- Basic and common language associated with the game, such as traveling, double dribble, pivot foot, and parts of the court
- Lead-up games and activities to foster skills learned
- Understanding of teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, and respect on and off the court
- Games within the program depending on skill development
- Games against area towns possibly in December and beyond

5th/6th Grade:

- Skill development in the areas of dribbling, passing (chest, bounce, overheard), shooting technique, recognizing different types of defense (zones and man-to-man), and positions
- Basic rules of the game
- Basic and common language associated with the game, such as traveling, double dribble, pivot foot, and parts of the court
- Lead-up games and activities to foster skills learned
- Understanding of teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, and respect on and off the court
- Games within the program depending on skill development
- Games against area towns possibly in December and beyond

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN THE REGISTRATION FORMAT FOR THIS YEAR.

Contact Brian Barney at 888-7318 or email bbarney123@comcast.net with any questions.

PLAY HARD, PLAY SMART, PLAY TOGETHER!