

BV A C

YOUTH BASKETBALL INFORMATION

<u>TEAM DIVISION</u>	<u>AGES</u>	<u>GOAL SIZE</u>	<u>BALL SIZE</u>	<u>GAME TIME</u>
Travelers	4 years to Kind.	8 foot	Junior size	8-min. Quarters
Dribblers	1 st & 2 nd grades	8 foot	Junior size	8-min. Quarters
Shooters	3 rd & 4 th grades	10 foot	Intermediate (28.5)	8-min. Quarters

BVAC has a ZERO TOLERANCE policy. There will be NO harassing of the officials, coaches, players, or fans allowed. Please allow your children to enjoy the games! If you or anyone from your team is asked to leave the gym and does not leave, the game will be over.

Most Teams are Co-ed.

The principle reason for the existence of the BVAC Basketball League is to teach and develop basketball skills and team playing skills. Our emphasis will be placed on the LEARNING AND ENJOYMENT of the game.

All boys and girls through practices and games shall be given the opportunity to learn and improve basic fundamentals of basketball: dribbling, passing, defense, and a basic understanding of the basketball rules and knowledge.

Learning and improving through **sportsmanship**, shall be the primary purpose of the basketball program, and shall be **given priority over winning**.

All fees are due by November 6th. Players may not practice or play in any game until fee is paid. BVAC will call you if anyone is added to your roster. All fees need to be paid in the office. We will not be collecting fees in the concession stand. There is a \$15 Late Fee if registering after the deadline. Games begin December 5th, 2009.

Teams must have 5 players on the court to start the game, (can finish with less).

Game time is the start time and forfeit time. Players must be ready to take the court at start time.

No player may be added to your roster after the 1st game. No child may play down in any division; however they may play up a division. No exceptions. The child will lose their fee and right to play.

GAMES: All games begin with a prayer. Coaches must circle up with the team. Each team plays 8 games. (no tournament) All levels will play four- 8 minute quarters. Schedules will be posted on our web site by Monday November 23rd, 2009: www.bvacsports.org

No games will be rescheduled.

Each division will use a running clock. The clock will stop only between quarters, injuries, time-outs and equipment repairs.

MOVING THE GOALS: PLEASE- **ONLY COACHES** may move the goals. Do not take your eyes off the goal while it is moving. Do not leave slack in the cable (but do not the goal “hang” on the cable either). **PLEASE- be careful not to run the goals up to high!!**

UNIFORMS: All teams will wear the “Official” BVAC T-shirts. Coaches may order themselves a shirt for the normal fee - \$10.00 Coaches will pick team colors at the meeting. We order all players shirts. Only the current official BVAC shirts will be worn during the games. If a team wears a non-current official BVAC shirt that team will forfeit the game! If a player does not have a current official BVAC team shirt on at game time, but has an official BVAC ID, they will be allowed to play but must wear a pinnie. The uniform infraction will be marked on the back of their ID card. Upon the player’s second and subsequent uniform infraction, the player must sit out of the game until they have the

proper uniform attire. If the player gets their shirt after the game begins, they may report to the umpire and join in the game.

No player may add their name to the back of their shirt because of safety reasons! Players will have to purchase a new shirt if they put their name on it! No player may play in a game without their game shirt. Only tennis shoes on the gym floor.

GENERAL RULES:

1. No score will be kept in any division. There will be no record of individual accomplishments, or league standings. All players will receive an award.
2. Each team will receive 2 (30 second) time-outs per half with no carry over.
3. There will be one jump ball at the beginning of the game. This will establish an alternating possession for any jump ball situations and at quarter breaks. The team listed first will keep the possession arrow.
4. Only sideline coaching is acceptable. Only 2 coaches per team on the bench. Coaches need to remain sitting during games. No one else is allowed on the bench.
5. All games will play with BVAC basketballs.
6. There will be one minute between each quarter and three minutes between the half.
7. There will be no double-teaming or trapping. Referees will give a warning to each team playing illegal defense. Stealing the ball is legal!!
8. The referee's may periodically stop play to discuss a foul or violation with the teams before awarding possession to the appropriate team. The Ref has the right to talk to an individual player if they feel they need it!
9. Change of possession will occur only as follows: Loose ball, Score, Rebound, or Ball out-of-bounds.
10. Full court presses are not allowed. When the defensive team establishes possession by clearly controlling the rebound or by beginning a dribble, the shooting team must retreat beyond half court. Reaching over the half court line to defend is not allowed.
11. The referees have control of the game. His/her decision is final. Any abusive language or undesirable conduct by a player, coach or spectator will result in a warning. The second time will result in disqualification of a player, coach or team. If that person does not leave the gym, the game is over. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of their teams and spectators.
12. No three-second violations will be called.
13. The referee's shall exercise discretion when calling traveling and double dribble violations, due to this age group's physical abilities.
14. Fouls will be called, but a player will not be disqualified on the fifth foul.
15. **Substitutions** will be made between quarters and time outs unless a child is hurt or sick. You **MUST** follow this rule.
16. No child shall be fouled out of the game, but should be educated on their mistake, and taught the right way of completing the defensive or offensive move.
17. COACHES NEED TO DISCOURAGE FOULING.
18. No one on the court in a CAST or METAL Brace.
19. If a player is injured during the game the ref will blow the whistle; and all other players must take a knee. The Ref will motion for the coach to enter the court if necessary. The ref will use their best judgment if the play is stopped immediately or after the ball goes dead.
20. No spectators allowed on the gym floor. Viewing from the bleacher areas only. On court 1 all spectators must stay upstairs. Please tell your parents **NOT** to stand in **FRONT** of the bleachers.
21. NO jewelry, no taping of jewelry, no beads, bobby pins, or hair clips.

PLEASE NO PETS - NO SMOKING - NO DRINKING - NO PROFANITY!

NO FOOD OR DRINK PERMITTED ON THE GYM FLOOR!!!