



September 1, 2011

Dear Coaches,

Basketball Season is right around the corner!

Registration begins today! Registration reminders will be sent out in the next week to all past participants. Payments and forms will be accepted at the front desk of the Tukwila Community Center during regular business hours. Because of our limited practice slots, the number of teams and players will be limited and will be on a first come first serve basis. **Roster spots will not be held or saved for players. We have the right to assign registered participants to rosters that are not full!**

As you may know, the Tukwila Parks and Recreation Department basketball league is a recreation league and our primary goals are learning fundamentals, fostering sportsmanship and teaching teamwork.

- We do not keep score at the Kindergarten through 3rd & 4th grade levels.
- We do not keep standings or have playoffs at the end of the season, except in the teen league.
- We will not allow any teams in the K-6th grade levels that play in select leagues or tournaments.

Practices will begin the week of December 5th. The 1st day of games and Picture Day is scheduled for Saturday, January 14, 2012.

The cost for participants this year is \$66/\$77 for K-6th and \$71/\$82 for 7-12th grades (Resident/non-resident fees). If space permits registrations may be accepted after November 12th, and will be assessed an additional \$10 fee. *This year the state added onto our fees a 9.5% sales tax that we have to pay to them!*

Please review the enclosed information about coaching requirements, and important dates to remember.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope you will consider supporting our efforts in coaching this year. To help us distribute the appropriate paperwork in a timely manner please submit the attached interest sheet as soon as possible. If you have any questions please give us a call at (206) 768-2822 or E-mail Steve at sbatz@ci.tukwila.wa.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Batz
Recreation Specialist

Marlus Francis
Recreation Coordinator

Coaches Requirements

Background Check:

All Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches must go through a Criminal Background Check prior to coaching in our league.

Coaches Certification/Training:

All Coaches will be expected to attend a mandatory coach's certification/training on Saturday, December 3rd.

Coaches Meetings:

Grades Kindergarten – 4th
Wednesday, November 16th – 6:30 – 8:00pm.
Grades 5th – 12th
Thursday, November 17th – 6:30 – 8:00pm.

*Coaches who attend the Coaches meeting will receive rosters and be given priority of available practice slots.

*All teams must have an assistant coach on record.

***NEW*-"Drills and Skills"**
Saturday, November 26
Tukwila Community Center Gym
Grades K-1 10:00-10:45AM
Grades 2 11:00AM-11:45AM
Grades 3-4 Noon – 12:45pm
Grades 5-12 1:00-1:45PM

All "registered" players will be invited to come to the TCC for a pre-season skills clinic and meet and greet with coaches (depending on coaches availability).

Cost: FREE

(for all registered League participants only) This will help coaches get the word out to parents when practices are etc.

Coaches are required to pay a discounted fee of \$25.00 per child to play. Coaches will only receive the discount if a team representative attends both the coaches meeting and coaches training.

Registration: September 1st – November 14th. Registration may be taken to the TCC front desk during regular business hours and will be on a first come-first serve basis.

Late Registration: November 15th – January 14^h. Registrations will only be accepted if space permits and an additional \$10 fee is assessed.

Practices: All K-2nd and 3rd & 4th grade teams will be given a 1-(1 hour) time slot per week. Grades 5 and above will be given 2- (1 hour) time slots per week. *Practices begin the week of Monday, December 5th.*

Picture Day - Saturday, January 14th.

League Games - Begin on Saturday, January 14th.

Sponsorship: We are always looking for sponsorship for our basketball program. If you or someone you know would like to have their business recognized for as little as \$60, please let us know.