

MPRA Basketball

Recreation-plus league play Outline

Overview:

It has come to the attention of many members of the MPRA Basketball League board's attention that our league has not made the necessary and vital changes to keep pace with the competition level other leagues in our area. In an effort to rectify this shortcoming, we are proposing the following changes to our league beginning this season and starting with the 10U division upward to the 16U divisions for the Boys and 8under to 14under for the Girls. It is the intent of these proposed changes to train, cultivate and prepare the future basketball players of the Monrovia area to be as competitive as possible when they leave our league and begin playing basketball at the middle school level. Below is an outline of how players that will participate in the Recreation-plus; hereafter referred to as "Rec +", league will be chosen, coaches selection process, as well as guidelines for season and post-season game play. We invite each member of the board to review this outline and provide objective feedback with the understanding that this is not an if we are going to make this change, but rather how do we formulate a plan to implement this change.

Objectives:

1. Develop teams that can be competitive with teams from around the Madison County Huntsville city and surrounding area.
2. Provide training and instruction needed to develop the fundamental skills needed to enable Girls and boys to play at the middle school level.
3. Provide better balance within the MPRA Recreation league teams.
4. Expand, increase the level of competition the teams of MPRA play during regular season.

Recreation Plus Player Selection Process & Procedures

1. To participate in the Monrovia Recreation (Rec +) league, prospective participants must "try out" and make the team. The Rec+ teams can only accept a limited number of players. All other players will play on the Regular MPRA teams.
2. The try out shall be held at the Monrovia Community Center or one of the participating elementary schools (Legacy, Endeavor, Harvest or Monrovia).
3. Each Age group will be given a time and place for their tryouts. Tryouts will be one hour per age group. Players should be ready to tryout in a game setting for that period. Participants in the tryout will receive a number prior to the tryout beginning; Evaluations should be based on skill level and sportsmanship, Not Who knows who!
4. The try out should consist of the player going through some basic offensive as well as defensive drills which will be determined and provided to the participants prior to the tryout. Then players May be ask to play in a game setting, These drills will be determined by the Monrovia Basketball board.
5. The Boys tryout shall be evaluated by an entity that does not have a child participating in the Monrovia Basketball program at any level to keep the selection process as unbiased as possible; preferably Monrovia Middle School's head coach, Sparkman High School's head coach, Referee association or a local basketball trainer. The Girls Teams will be chosen by members of the Board that have no Child-girls, playing in the League for the first year after that the process will be evaluated.

6. Upon completion of the tryouts, the top 8 minimum and 12 maximum ranked players will be chosen to represent their respective divisions.
7. The cost to participate in the Rec + plus will be an additional \$60 above the normal fees that are paid to participate in Recreation league.

Recreation Plus Coach Selection Process & Procedures

1. The head coach for each Rec + division shall be chosen by the board from a list of applicants submitted to the board.
2. The head coach must be a proven coach and be limited to only one assistant coach.
3. The assistant coach chosen by the head coach must also be approved by the MPRA basketball board.
4. If there are no applicants for a team the board will choose and assign a head coach for that division.

Recreation Plus Games & All-Stars Process & Procedures

1. Rec plus teams will play other teams around the county that have also formulated Rec plus teams.
2. The parents shall be provided with a list of places that the team will play and sign agreement that they will get their child to the location that games will be played.
3. The goal is to formulate a Rec plus league in the Huntsville, North Alabama area
4. Rec plus teams will practice in the same facilities and in the same time slots as recreational teams
5. Rec plus teams will play in tournaments hosted by other teams as well as host tournament themselves.
6. At the conclusion of the regular season Rec plus teams well then become one of the all-star teams for each respective divisions. Each age group in the MPRA Recreational league will have the option to have an all-star team from the Recreation League. Coaches and players will be chosen by the current rules.
7. Recreation teams will also send a team to the All Stars to play in the district- State tournament.
8. Upon completion of the district tournament, it is at the coaches and parents discretion for the team to continue to play as a travel team.
9. It will be incumbent upon each individual team to pay for travel fees as well as tournament entry fees.