

All-Star Tournament Team Selection Guidelines

1) Monrovia Parks & Recreation Association (MPRA) basketball board members will conduct the tournament team selection meeting.

2) **Coach Selection:**

The coach for each division's team is normally selected as follows: The head coach of each division's 1st place team is offered the head coaching position, if he declines, the position is offered to the division's 2nd place team head coach. If the 2nd place team's head coach declines the position is offered to the 3rd place team's coach, this process continues until a head coach accepts the position.

In the event all divisional head coaches decline the head coaching position, a head coach will be selected by the MPRA board from the available pool of head coaches, board members and assistant coaches.

The head coaches select assistant coaches for the tournament teams. Assistant coaches can be any other MPRA coach (head or assistant) from the same division.

In the event of a tie between teams in the same division the tie-breaker will be head-to-head and then record against teams within the division.

The MPRA board has the right to remove any head or assistant coach from consideration for the all-star team coaching positions or from any team after it has formed. This is unusual but will be used when the board determines that a coach has not displayed good behavior or sportsmanship during the regular season, previous all-star tournaments or current tournaments.

3) **Coach Participation In The All-Star Selection Meeting:**

Head coach participation in the all-star selection meeting is mandatory. This requirement ensures that input from all coaches is available during the voting process and that all players wishing to play on the team are equally represented during the selection process. If it is not possible for the head coach to attend the meeting (due to extreme circumstances only) an assistant coach can represent the team. If a head or assistant coach is not present for the meeting their team will be penalized 1 place in the end of season tournament bracket seedings.

4) **Number of Teams:**

The MPRA Basketball Board will decide how many teams there will be in each age group. For example, if an age group has ten or more teams, the board will generally divide teams into two divisions by drawing them from a hat prior to the start of the season.

If an age group has enough teams to justify three teams but only two divisions were established, the Board may decide to form three all-star teams. If this is the case, the teams will be determined by the end of season tournament seeding. The seeds are arranged so that each group/division is weighted equally. Example: 15 Team Age Group with three teams. Each column/division will include the teams that will combine to make a single team.

1	2	3
6	5	4
7	8	9
12	11	10
13	14	15

5) **Player Selection:**

Each head coach will nominate up to three players and obtain firm commitments from the player's parents or guardians in advance of the all-star selection meeting from their team. Those players will make up the pool of players that can be voted on the tournament team.

First Round – The coaches will vote for five players from the pool in their division. The four players with the greatest number of votes will be removed from the pool and will be assigned to the tournament team. All other players will remain in the pool.

Second Round – Coaches will again vote for five players from the remaining names in the pool. The four players with the greatest number of votes will be removed from the pool and assigned to the tournament team. All other players will remain in the pool.

Note: If two or more players receive the same number of votes for the fourth position then coaches will re-vote on those individual players until the tie is broken.

Other Players – The tournament team coaches have the right to choose up to four more players to fill out their team roster. Those players may come from at large, but must be in their division.

There must be a minimum of eight players chosen. A maximum of 12 players will be allowed on the roster to participate in post season play. No team shall have more than four players from their regular season team.

6) **Player Participation:**

Player participation in all-stars is optional; it requires committing additional time and money to participate in the all-star season. Therefore the approval of the player's parents or guardians is required prior to the start of all-star voting. Player's for which a firm commitment has not been obtained by their coach will have their name removed from the voting list. (This player can be selected as an at large player by the coach at a later date) This requirement prevents changing the outcome of the all-star voting process for the 8 players voted onto the team when one or more of the 8 voted members decide not to participate after the all-star voting is concluded.

Player participation in all-stars is also a reward and honor for a limited number of players (8-12 per team). The number of players wanting to participate in all-star teams normally exceeds the number of available slots. When a player selected for an all-star team quits or stops fully participating, his slot on the team could have been given to another player who wanted to participate but was not allowed too. Therefore if a player on an all-star team 1) quits the team or 2) misses an excessive number of events (as defined by the coach) after the official roster has been submitted, they will not be eligible to participate on any MPRA Basketball all-star team the following season. The only exception is for an injury serious enough to prevent participation for the remainder of the all-star season and verified by a doctor's excuse.

Teams representing MPRA will display good conduct and good sportsmanship. The MPRA board has the right to remove any player from consideration for an all-star team or from an existing team at any time. This is unusual but will be used when the board determines that a player has not displayed good behavior or sportsmanship.

7) The MPRA basketball board will resolve any questions not covered in the above guidelines.