



Team Formation Instructions Youth Basketball Grades 4 – 7

Coaches may form their own team according to BVRC guidelines. In order to accomplish this, you must complete the following documents by their appropriate due date. These documents can be found in the “Team Registration Info” drop down box on our website.

All coaches must complete the following forms found on our website.

- *Coaches Application Form*
- *Background Check & Disclosure Statement*

August 3 - September 12:

Coaches may begin forming their teams. Once a player has agreed to play with a coach, he/she will be added to the Roster/Player Agreement Form.

September 2: *Player Release Form* (for returning coaches only)

Players may choose not to play with their team from last year. In addition, the coach also has the option of not inviting a player back to the team. If a coach is not going to invite a player back to the team, he must personally notify the player before September 2. If a player is not going to return to last year's team the player must personally notify his/her coach by September 2. All players not returning to their team will then be required to play within the appropriate high school area for this season. In these two instances, players will be responsible for finding a team on which to play. For those players unable to find a team, and who register by September 27, staff will place the player onto a team.

September 12: *Roster/Player Agreement Form*

Once added to the roster, the coach may not remove the player from the team and the player may not switch to a different team for the 2011-12 season. **The team roster form is not a registration form – all players must complete an individual registration form.**

September 12: *All players on your roster should have registered individually.*

- The majority of players find their own team on which they would like to play (schoolmate or friend is on a team, etc.). A list of coaches from each school is available on our website for those who are looking for a team.
- If a coach from last year does not return and the team dissolves, the players are responsible for finding a team on which to play.
- Players new to Blue Valley basketball for this season should inquire at their school and with friends as to teams that are forming.
- A player attending a private school will have the option of playing with his/her schoolmates or with a team within their appropriate high school boundary.
- Players may participate on only one BVRC team and must play in the grade they are in for the 2011-2012 school year.

Those players who do not have a team by September 12, and who register by September 27, will be placed onto a team by staff. As in all Blue Valley youth sports programs every player who registers by the published deadline will be placed on a team. Practices will begin the first week in November and players will be notified by their coach as to which team they are on by the last week of October.

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HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

Blue Valley Northwest High School:

- Elementary schools – Cottonwood Point, Harmony, Heartland, Indian Valley, Oak Hill
- Middle schools – Harmony, Oxford

Blue Valley North High School:

- Elementary schools – Leawood, Mission Trail, Overland Trail, Valley Park
- Middle schools – Leawood, Overland Trail

Blue Valley High School:

- Elementary schools – Blue River, Prairie Star, Stanley, Stilwell, Sunrise Point
- Middle schools - Blue Valley, Prairie Star

Blue Valley West High School:

- Elementary schools – Lakewood, Liberty View, Morse, Sunset Ridge, Cedar Hills, Timber Creek
- Middle schools – Lakewood, Pleasant Ridge

Blue Valley Southwest High School:

- Elementary schools – Stilwell, Timber Creek, Morse
- Middle schools – Aubrey Bend

FEES

The “early” registration fee is \$122 for each child registered on or before September 6. Beginning September 7, the fee will be \$132. Players attending a school within the Blue Valley District, but not residing within the Blue Valley School District, must pay an additional non-resident fee of 25%.

TO REGISTER

All players must register individually. Players may begin registering on-line today by using our web site, www.bluevalleyrec.org. To register on-line, follow the instructions found on our web site. Please keep in mind that if you have never registered on-line for a class through BVRC before, you will first need to initiate a customer ID. Please allow 48 hours (2 business days) to receive your customer ID from BVRC. Don't wait until the last minute to register! If you are unable to register on-line, you may register at the BVRC Activity Center (6545 W. 151st St.) or at the Recreation Complex (9701 W. 137th St.). The final day to register for guaranteed placement onto a team is September 27. After September 27, registrants will be placed on a waiting list with no guarantee of placement on a team. *We do not accept phone-in or faxed registrations.

WE OFFER A LEAGUE FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS

Beginning in 3rd grade, teams are placed into divisions based on the strength of the team. Thus, the BVRC offers a league for a very skilled player as well as a beginner. Depending on the number of teams that register, there will be four to five levels of play within each age group. Team strength will be determined by recommendations from coaches, past performance (if appropriate) and seeding games that take place in December. Based on their win/loss record, teams from year to year will also have the opportunity to move up or down within these levels. The basketball advisory council and staff have the final say on team placement.