PARENT INFORMATION

PROGRAM PURPOSE:
The goal of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) youth program is to put the needs of the children first, in focusing on their overall physical and emotional development. The purpose is to provide an opportunity for 5th through 8th grade girls and boys to build fundamental basketball skills while emphasizing the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship. The program is open to participants residing within the THPRD and/or Beaverton School District #48 and Lenox School boundaries.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:
All parents must have a valid THPRD Account to register their child before they can register for the league. A THPRD account can be acquired by visiting any THPRD center or via thprd.org. Proof of residency will be needed.

Registration will be available online or in-person ONLY at the THPRD Athletic Center. Online registration instructions are available on the THPRD Youth Basketball page and on the last page of this document.

- All players will need the following two (2) documents completed before they can participate in league activities:
  1. Medical Information & Consent Form paper document available at THPRD Athletic Center.
  2. Concussion information sheet must be returned to THPRD Athletic Center.

Registered players will be contacted by their coach once the registration period has ended and teams are set.

TEAM FORMATION:
NO Team Registration. Priority will be placed on forming teams with players from the same school or, if not enough players from one school, they will be combined with a nearby school, and then feeder schools.

Players must be registered into their appropriate grade level (i.e. player in the 6th grade must register and play in the 6th grade league). Players found to be playing on a team in the wrong grade level will be removed from the program and forfeit all fees paid.

- Appropriate grade level by season:
  - Winter/Spring: Current grade level
  - Summer: Upcoming grade level

Parents are welcome to request teammates or coaches during the registration process, but THPRD staff will have final say on the rosters of 9-12 players for all teams. Once teams are established, coaches will contact their players. Under no circumstances will players be reassigned after being placed on a team.

***No refunds will be given after the first organized team activity (game or practice) of the league***
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:
THPRD will work with qualified in-district families needing financial assistance. Arrangements must be made prior to registering for the league.

For more information on financial assistance, please visit thprd.org or call 503-629-6300.

COACHES:
The youth basketball program depends on volunteer coaches to lead the athletes. The volunteer coaches are a committed group of people, giving many hours of their time to help young athletes enjoy the sport. Coaches must understand and be commitment to fair play, ethical behavior, and integrity.

If you or anyone you know is interested in coaching, fill out the online coaches application and contact us via email or at (503) 629-6330 so we can help.

PLAYER FEES:
THPRD collects individual player fees for youth leagues. Player fees will be available online no later than the last week of August. The fees collected are used for equipment use and replacement, uniforms, gym usage fees, BSD and THPRD staff, Portland Trail Blazer game ticket (Winter season only), and officials.

LEAGUES:
THPRD offers youth basketball leagues for girls and boys during the following seasons:

- Winter League
  - Registration begins the first week of October
  - 2 practices a week (Depending on gym availability)
  - Practices begin after Thanksgiving
  - Games go from January through March
  - 10 game season, 8 games for 5th Grade (Saturdays, between 8:00am-7:00pm)

- Spring League
  - Registration begins Mid February
  - 1 pre-season practice (Additional practice times may be rented from THPRD depending on gym availability)
  - Games go from April through May
  - 8 Game season (Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays)

- Summer League
  - Registration begins the third Thursday in May
  - No practices, only games
  - Games go from July through August
  - 5 game season (Tuesdays and Thursdays ONLY)

PRACTICES & GAMES:
Once teams are formed, parents will be contacted with practice and game schedules. Practice times will be based on the availability of the volunteer coach. All game and practice schedules will be shared via the online scheduling site, TeamSidelines.

- Practices: scheduled on weeknights between 5:30-9:30pm.
  - Food or drinks may not be taken onto the basketball court at any time.
    - At BSD sites, water bottles must remain outside the gym but can be kept close to the gym doors for easy access.
- Participants/coaches/parents/spectators cannot bounce basketballs in the hallways.
- Participants/coaches/parents/spectators are only allowed access to the basketball courts and restrooms. They are not allowed in any other areas of the school/facility.
- Participants/coaches/parents/spectators cannot use school property. This includes, but is not limited to:
  - White boards
  - Climbing walls
  - Stage areas
  - Pull up bars

- **Games:**
  - Parents/siblings/visitors/spectators:
    - Are not allowed on the basketball courts during gameplay, time-outs, in-between quarters, and during half-time.
    - Are not allowed on the player benches.
    - Are not allowed to bounce basketballs during games.
    - Are not allowed on the track, unless they have paid a drop-in fee. *(this is not a spectator area)*
  - All league rules will be available on the [THPRD Youth Basketball website](#).

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:**
THPRD will follow the Beaverton School District closures. Therefore, when the schools close because of weather, all basketball activities will be canceled. When the weather turns severe in the afternoon, a play or no play decision will be made by 4:00pm. During the Winter Season, decisions will be made by 7:30am on Saturdays. Coaches will contact team members for canceled practices and/or games.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:**
In order to maintain a safe and competitive environment, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Sports Department has adopted a [ZERO TOLERANCE, Code of Ethics for players, parents and coaches](#).

- Examples of unruly behavior include, but are not limited to:
  - Negative outbursts and comments
  - Taunting
  - Offensive language
  - Inappropriate
  - Threatening actions and gestures

Actions of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in removal from the facility, suspension from games, and/or expulsion from further involvement in league play for at least one year.

A refund of fees **will not be made** if a player or parent is removed from the program by THPRD.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS/GUARDIAN**
1) Provide transportation to and from all practices and games (it is not the coach’s or THPRD’s responsibility).
2) Pick up your child from practices and games on time.
3) In an effort to enable the coach to focus on coaching, parent(s) should volunteer to help in any way.
4) Read, sign and support the Code of Ethics agreement for parents.
5) Complete, sign and turn in the emergency/medical consent form for your child online or to the Athletic Center front desk.
6) Read, sign and turn in a copy of Concussion Training for parents to the Athletic Center front desk.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PLAYER
1) Attend all practices and games; contact the coach if missing an event.
2) The desire to play with other students in a constructive, recreational activity.
3) Demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during and after each practice and game.
4) Read, sign and support the Code of Ethics agreement for athletes.
5) Read, sign and turn in a copy of Concussion Training for athletes to the front desk.

INSURANCE:
There will be NO insurance coverage. All players play at their own risk.

STUDENT SUSPENSION:
Students participating in the THPRD basketball program that are suspended or expelled from school will not be allowed to participate in the basketball program until readmitted to school. **Any player(s) found to be playing while suspended or expelled will be removed from the league and forfeit all fees paid.**

UNIFORMS:
Each player in the 5th-8th grade program will be provided jersey during the Winter League and a T-shirt during the Spring League, which is theirs to keep. No shirts are provided during the Summer league. Please indicate appropriate shirt size when registering your child.

The jersey/t-shirt provided by THPRD must be worn during all league games. Participants will need to supply shorts **without pockets or belt loops.**

EQUIPMENT NEEDS:
Jewelry (including, but not limited to, hard barrettes, bracelets, and earrings) are not permitted in practices or games.
Non-black soled athletic shoes, gym shorts, and a t-shirt should be worn to practices. If your child has a basketball, they are welcome to bring it to practices. You are encouraged to write name and phone number on basketball. THPRD is not responsible for any lost property.

TEAM PICTURES:
Team pictures are not included. It is the responsibility of team to arrange and pay for this. Independent photographers will be provided coach contact information and will work directly with the coach.

GAME OFFICIALS:
Officiating is contracted out to a third-party vendor that will provide officials for all games.

5th-8th Grade: Portland Energy Basketball

YOUNG CHILDREN:
Non-participating young children must be under adult supervision at all times.

***Any player(s) found to be playing on a team not within the above guidelines will be removed from the league and forfeit all fees paid.***
THPRD Youth Sports Leagues
Online Registration Instructions

Step 1: Create a THPRD Account

- Current THPRD account is required to sign up for any youth leagues
  - Step by step process is available online.
  - Expired accounts require renewal prior to any registrations

Step 2: myTHPRD Online Portal Activation:

- Once you have a THPRD account, go to myTHPRD Portal:
  - Select “Activate web account” in the Getting Started section (circle in red in picture to the right)
  - ACTIVATE MY WEB ACCOUNT page will appear. Continue to fill out the remaining questions.
  - Once all required fields are complete, press the Activate My Account button.
  - Your THPRD online portal is now activated!

Step 3: Youth Sports Leagues Registration

- Once logged into myTHPRD portal, use the menu on the left side of the screen to select Youth League Registration (circle in red in picture to the left).
- Select the appropriate information for the league that you are registering.
  - Select desired sports league
  - Select registrant’s shirt size (if applicable)
  - Select registrant’s school pathing
    - Please Note: School pathing is based off patron’s current area of residency, from elementary school through high school. If no available school areas fall under your current area of residency, select the school pathing that is nearest you.
- Upon completion, select CONTINUE TO NEXT STEP.
- On the next page (SPORTS LEAGUE REGISTRATION), verify participant information, add additional comments, and add preferred coach (if applicable) name.
- Once completed, select Continue, and you will be taken to the checkout section to complete payment.