



High School Prep Basketball League Tryouts

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the High School Prep Basketball League?

The High School Prep Basketball League is a competitive league designed to prepare middle school students for high school basketball. The top players in each school will be selected via tryout to represent their school in the best high school preparatory league in Southern Maryland. Girls teams are combined teams made up of 6th-8th graders. Boys leagues are broken down into individual grades; 6th, 7th, & 8th.

What are the Tryouts?

At the tryouts players will be assessed on their speed, agility, and quickness. Coaches will conduct the tryouts. Players will be taken through multiple drills where they will demonstrate their ball handling, shooting, basketball IQ, and much more. Players will then engage in offensive and defensive drills and finish with 5 on 5 game play.

Does my child have to attend all advertised tryouts?

Players must attend at least one tryout to be considered eligible to participate in the High School Prep Basketball League. Attendance of all tryouts is recommended but not required.

Do I have to stay?

All players must be signed in by a parent. We prefer that parents stay for the duration of the tryouts. Parents must watch from the spectator area. Parents are not permitted on the court.

Are there any special league eligibility requirements?

Yes. To be eligible to play in this league, you must currently attend or be zoned, by your current residence, to attend Charles County Public Schools. Participants must be registered for the Youth Recreational Basketball League. In addition, players will not be permitted to play up a grade unless the player's school does not have enough players at that grade to field a team.

Do all players make a team?

No. At maximum, each team will consist of 12 players. Coaches will assess players and will pick their teams from the players that attend tryouts. Special concessions maybe considered if a school or grade does not have enough player's tryout. Any player not selected for a team will be enrolled in the Recreational Basketball League.

When will I be notified if my child made the team?

Selections will take place after the final tryout. If selected, parents will be notified via email the week of October 20th. It is the parent's responsibility to make the additional league payment of \$50 in a timely manner. Participants may not practice until full payment is received. If payment is not received by November 7th, the child's name will be removed from the team roster and another player will be contacted to play.

How do I make my payment?

You may contact our registration office and pay over the phone 301-932-3470, online www.CharlesCountyParks.com, or by check or credit card at any of our School Based Community Centers, Elite Gymnastics, or indoor swimming pools.

When will practice start? How many practices per week? Where will practices be held?

Practices are generally held at the school your child attends or a facility within proximity to their school. Practices are held in the evenings between 6-9 pm. Teams practice at least two hours a week. Practice can be held any day Monday through Friday.

**Note: Mattawoman teams will practice at Wade.*

How long is the season? When will games start? When are games held?

We play an 8-game regular season with playoffs for the top teams in each league. Games begin the week of January 5th. Game schedules will be released in December. The post season tournament will be held during the week of March 2nd. Games are held on weeknights Monday through Friday and some Saturdays at Middle School locations and Wade Elementary School.