Grayslake Park District 2015/2016 Feeder Basketball Program Parent Information

Our Goal:

We strive to develop individuals as good citizens, good team players and good basketball players. This program allows the Park District to provide more competitive basketball to boys and girls that wish to play at either Grayslake High School North High School or Grayslake Central High School.

What Level of Commitment is expected?

For our program to be successful and for us to play at this level, we need participation in all practices and games. Teams will be practicing one or two times a week and will play approximately 20-30 games, which include league games and tournaments. This is a commitment not only from the boys and girls but for the parents as well.

Who May Tryout?

Any player who resides in the District 127 Grayslake High School boundaries and is registered in the grade level he/she represents. Please remember that Travel Basketball is designed for the player with a high level of skill and competiveness.

How Selections are Made?

Players will be evaluated in a 2-day tryout. Participants who would like to be considered for the team must attend at least ONE of the try-outs listed under their age group, but the Park District strongly encourages players to attend both dates. Each player will have the opportunity to demonstrate his/her talents and skills in the following areas: Ball Handing, Shooting, Passing, Rebounding, Hustle, Defense, Teamwork and Scrimmage. They will be evaluated on a 1 to 5 scale with 5 being best. All scores will be averaged and the top 8 –12 players that will fill a well-rounded team will be selected. ALL EVALUATION SCORES ARE CONFIDENTIAL AND TEAM SELECTION IS FINAL! The evaluators are Grayslake High School Dist 127 Basketball Coaches, hired by the Grayslake Park District. The team will be selected based on the evaluator's scores. Only the evaluators, Non-Parent Head Coaches and Park District Employees will be allowed in the gym during tryouts. Viewing of the tryouts will not be allowed. PARENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE IN THE GYM DURING TRYOUTS.

When are Practices and Games?

The teams will practice one to two times a week for 1 1/2 hours each practice. Games will be played throughout the week and on weekends; you can expect to make a 2-4 day a week commitment.

How long is the Season?

<u>Girls Season:</u> Girls will begin practicing the first of November and will play league games in December, January and February. Their season will end mid-March with HoopsFest and the NIGFBA Tournament.

<u>Boys Season:</u> Boys will begin practicing the first of December and league games will be played in January, February and March. Their season will finish the end of March.

Playing Time?

Participation and success in practice is rewarded with game playing time. Playing time is not guaranteed, however, Coaches strive to involve every player in each game. Coaches will attempt to be fair with regard to playing time, however the Grayslake Park District makes no guarantees about minimum playing time. The Coaches will decide who starts and how much each player will play. A number of factors will be taken into consideration in determining the amount of playtime a player receives. These factors include, but are not limited to: attendance at practices and games, attitude at practices and games and playing ability.

Who do we play?

The girls will play in the N.I.G.F.B.A. (Northern Illinois Girls Feeder Basketball Assoc) teams may include: Barrington, Schaumburg, Palatine, Carmel, Warren, Lake Forest, Libertyville, Mundelein, Stevenson, Vernon Hills and possibly Glenbrook South.

The boys play in the Greater Suburban Basketball Association, other teams may include: Grant, Libertyville, McHenry, Vernon Hills, Mundelein, Lakes, Antioch, Zion-Benton, North Chicago and Fremd. These league games will be in addition to 2-3 tournaments.

Coaches Selection?

We look to find knowledgeable coaches for each age level. We continue to recruit and look for coaches who have experience. We do utilize parents as coaches. Since many parents are only interested in coaching if their child makes the team, Parent Coaches will not be announced until after the teams have been selected. Non-Parent Head coaches may be selected prior to tryouts. All coaches receive a criminal background check and are required to attend a coach's certification clinic.

Cost?

Registration fee is \$450.00 per player. A uniform must be purchased (\$100.00) and will be the player's to keep. There is a \$20.00 tryout fee, which includes a tryout shirt. **You will not be allowed to practice** until your registration fee is paid and will not be allowed to play in any game until the \$100 uniform fee is paid to the Grayslake Park District. Any returning players from last year will not have to purchase a new uniform unless theirs doesn't fit or they have lost their uniform from last year.

How do I know if my child made the team?

Players will be notified **by mail** if they have made the team or not. These letters will be mailed shortly after both tryouts are completed.

For more information?

Contact Brice Walsh, Recreation Supervisor at the Grayslake Park District at 847-223-7529 or email at bwalsh@glpd.com.

Grayslake Park District Travel Basketball Parent Sign-Off Sheet

| Shirt |
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| Shirt Size |
| Height |

We have read the Grayslake Park District Travel Basketball Information and accept it. We understand that all evaluation scores and team selections are confidential and final. As a parent/guardian and player we promise to work with the Grayslake Park District and the coaching staff to make this program a success.

Grayslake Central/Grayslake North High School Feeder Basketball Programs

PLAYER INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT) Name _____ Date of Birth_____ Address:____ City: Zip: Phone Number: School currently attending _____ Current grade in school _____ Player will be attending (check one): Grayslake Central HS _____ Grayslake North HS ____ We have read the Grayslake High School Feeder Basketball Team Information Packet and accept it. We understand that all evaluation scores and team selections are confidential and final. As Parent/Guardian and Player, we promise to work with the Grayslake Park District, High School District 127 and all coaches to make this program a success. We verify that the player information provided above is true. Player's Signature: Date:_____ Parent Name (Print) Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:_____

BASKETBALL PROGRAM WAIVER & RELEASE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Grayslake Community Park District is committed to conducting its recreation programs and activities in a safe manner, and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The Grayslake Park District continually strives to reduce risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However, participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for this program must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational programs/activities.

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward is physically fit and/or adequately skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way, or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

WARNING OF RISK

Basketball is intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of each participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury. All hazards and dangers cannot be foreseen. Certain risks include, but are not limited to: collisions between players and stationary objects, inability to stop one's momentum and encountering off-court dangers/hazards, unnecessary roughness (elbowing, hipchecks, undercutting other players in the air, tripping and shoving), slips and falls, attempting a maneuver beyond the player's skill level (i.e. a dunk), poor officiating, improper personal protective equipment, slippery floors, inadequate or unsafe playing conditions, failure in supervision, unsportsmanlike conduct, dangerous/defective court conditions, and all other circumstances inherent to the sport of basketball. In this regard, it is impossible for the Grayslake Community Park District to guarantee absolute safety.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in this program/activity, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss, which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in and and all activities connected with and associated with this program/activity (including transportation services and vehicle operations, when provided). I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in this program/activity, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward, or I, may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I, or my

minor child/war, may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in this program/activity against

I have read and fully understand the above important information, warning of risk, assumption of risk and waiver and release of all claims. If registering online or via fax, my online or facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature.

| PRINT Participant's Name | Date | |
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| Participant's Signature | | |
| PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (if participant is under 18 years of age) | | |

the Grayslake Community Park District, including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees.

PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED

If the signature of adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not on this waiver.