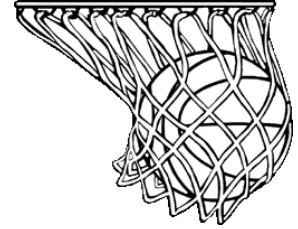




## 2023-2024 Youth Basketball Information Sheet



**1. Leagues Offered & Eligibility** (age on September 1, 2023 determines the division of play)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional 3-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Coed 5-6    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 7-8          | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 7-8   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 9-10         | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 9-10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 11-12        | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 11-12 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 13-15        | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 13-15 |

**3-4 Instructional Division**

This division is designed to introduce players to organized sports. Rules are simplified, team rosters are reduced, and playing season is compacted to allow maximum exposure in a limited time frame.

**5-6 & 7-8 Divisions**

These divisions are designed to introduce players to organized sports and begin developing fundamentals for each specific sport. Rules are modified to provide the optimum playing experience for novice participants.

**9-10 Division**

This division builds on basic fundamentals of a given sport. Rules are slightly modified to provide optimum playing experience for participants with limited exposure.

**11-12 & 13-15 Divisions**

These divisions are designed to promote teamwork, sportsmanship and advance fundamental development. No rule modifications or slight rule modifications to provide optimum playing experience.

**2. How much will it cost to register my child?**

Resident of Kannapolis     \$40  
 Non-Resident                 \$60

**Online registration is highly recommended.**

Cash, checks and credit/debit cards are accepted. Please make checks payable to: City of Kannapolis  
*Financial Assistance is available.*

**3. When / where can I register?**

Registration will begin September 11 and end November 6.

**Online:** [www.kannapolisnc.gov/parksprograms](http://www.kannapolisnc.gov/parksprograms) **(RECOMMENDED)**

City of Kannapolis Parks & Recreation Office, 401 Laureate Way, Kannapolis NC, 28081  
 Parks office open Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm

**4. What is included in the registration fee?**

Jersey, Practices, Games, Physical Exercise

**5. What equipment will my child be using?**

Proper athletic shoes are required on all gym surfaces.

League	Ball Size
Instructional 3-4	27.5 basketball
Coed 5-6, Boys 7-8, Boys 9-10	28.5 basketball
All Girl's Leagues	28.5 basketball
Boys 11-12 and Boys 13-15	29.5 basketball

League	Goal Height
Instructional 3-4	6ft
Coed 5-6, Boys 7-8, Girls 7-8	8ft
All Leagues 9 & up	10ft

**6. When is the parent meeting?**

There will be no in person parent meeting. Additional parent information will be released online or via email after registration has closed.

**7. How to be a coach?**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** Potential coaches must be 18 years or older, fill out a coach's application, pass a criminal background check and sign the Coaches Code of Conduct. Approved coaches must attend a mandatory coaches meeting (may be virtual or required to watch coach video) and will be given a photo ID Coach badge. **Coaches are required to wear their ID badges at all practices and games.** Completion of paperwork does not guarantee a coaching position.

**8. Skills/ Evaluation Assessment Information**

Skills assessments and draft days are to be determined but will possibly take place between November 13-21. You will be contacted by our office if skills assessments are scheduled. If no skills assessments are conducted, all players will be randomly assigned to teams.

If skills assessments are scheduled, all participants playing in the 9-10 year old age group or older are required to attend skills assessments. If a child does not attend a skills assessment, that child will be randomly assigned to a team at the player draft. There are no skills assessments for the 3-4, 5-6 or 7-8 year old age group. All players in these age groups are randomly assigned to teams.

**9. When will I be contacted?**

You will be contacted by your coach after player team assignments sometime between December 1-3. Please allow volunteer coaches time to contact each participant before contacting our office on December 4 for team information.

**10. How many practices will my child have per week?**

Ages 5 & Up: Teams will have one practice per week (lasting one hour) starting December 4, 2023. There will be NO practices December 18-29. Practices will start back up January 1 after the holiday break.

3-4 Instructional: This program will begin on Saturday, January 6, 2024.

**11. When / where will games be played?**

Games will be played on Saturdays beginning January 6 and conclude on February 24. Depending on schedules and gym availability, some weeknight games may be necessary. Practices and games will be played primarily at Kannapolis City Schools. Nearby Cabarrus County schools may be utilized if registration numbers dictate that a particular division play countywide.

**12. Team Pictures**

Team and individual pictures opportunities will be available. Days, times and locations will be announced once scheduled.

**13. Inclement Weather Hotline**

In the event that we encounter inclement weather, the weather hotline 704-920-4344 will be updated. The Parks & Recreation Department has until 4pm to make weather related decisions for weeknight activities. Any time school is cancelled because of inclement weather, all practices and games scheduled for that day at all sites are cancelled. If school is cancelled on a Friday because of inclement weather, games scheduled for the following Saturday are also cancelled.

**14. Sponsorship**

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please visit [www.kannapolisnc.gov](http://www.kannapolisnc.gov) for additional information.

**15. Special Request**

Requesting a particular coach, teammate or practice night does not guarantee that request, but staff will do all they can to help grant a request or accommodate a conflict.

**16. Additional Information**

\* Participants, spectators and coaches are welcome to wear masks if they prefer.

\* Anyone who is showing signs of COVID-19, been told to quarantine or been exposed to COVID-19 should not come to practice or games until the proper quarantine time has passed.

\* All water bottles, snacks or any additional items should be clearly marked with the child's name.

**17. For information please contact:**

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