

2018 Youth Basketball League FAQ's

When is the Youth Basketball season?

Registrations are open from September 4th through October 31st. Late registration is available with an addition fee; however we cannot guarantee any special accommodations when late registering. Games begin November 10th and our last game is played on December 15th.

When can I expect to hear from my child's coach?

The coach meeting is set for November 1st and they will get in touch with families. We encourage coaches to communicate with parents as soon as possible after selecting a practice time. The YMCA will also send out e-mails notifying parents of league information including practice times (please check your SPAM for YMCA e-mails). Practices can begin the week of November 5th.

How often and how long will practices be?

Teams will practice once per week for 45 minutes.

When will games begin?

The first games begin on Saturday November 10th.

What equipment does my child need?

Shoes, shorts and a water bottle. Coaches are issued basketballs for practice, game day balls. It is strongly advised that your child leaves his/her basketball at home during league time.

What equipment does the YMCA supply?

Team shirt and basketballs.

How are teams put together in the YMCA League?

All teams are put together based on the school that the child attends. This is also based on numbers from each school, so your child may play with someone from a different school. We attempt to balance the teams with equal levels of skills/experience based on the data we receive at the time of registration.

Can I pick when my child practices?

No, practice times are picked by the coaches after he/she receives their rosters. Coaches are volunteers therefore the practice times are at a time that is convenient for the coach.

Can I change my child's team if their practice team is inconvenient?

We will try our best to accommodate your request for a different practice time. If we cannot help you work it out, we will refund your fee.

Where are the practices and games held?

Most practices and all games are held at the Mason City Family YMCA on Courts 1 & 3.

What size of hoop does my child play on?

The 5 years old/K and 1/2 division plays on an 8'6" hoop.

The 3/4 division plays on a 10' hoop.

What if I cannot afford to pay?

The Mason City Family YMCA does not turn anyone away due to the inability to pay membership or program fees. Funds are made available for use in our Financial Assistance Program are provided through our Annual Campaign. Please contact the Sports Director for financial assistance.