

BASKETBALL (www.CBLBasketball.org)

The Forks Township basketball program is governed by the Community Basketball League (CBL). Further information on these by-laws can be obtained by contacting the Forks Township basketball Commissioner or by clicking on the link above.

- **CODE OF CONDUCT**

- A copy of Article 16 of the FTAA By-laws shall be signed by each parent/guardian on or before the date the players receive their uniforms. It is imperative that the players/parents/guardians and coaches adhere to the code of conduct. All violations of the code of conduct will be reviewed by the FTAA.

- **EQUIPMENT/UNIFORM POLICY**

- All equipment and uniforms are owned by Forks Township. Any equipment or uniforms you receive must be returned in a reasonable timeframe and should be in the condition it was presented to you. If you do not return equipment and uniforms within two weeks of the return date, you will be subject to a late fee assessed by the equipment manager. If the equipment/uniforms are not returned, you will be billed for the replacement value of the equipment/uniforms not returned.
- If there is an outstanding uniform from a previous season, the child may not register for another sport until either the uniform is returned or the replacement value is paid.

- **JOINING A TEAM**

- All players must be Forks Township residents unless specific approval is given by the Forks Township Recreation Board.
- If you are not a Forks Township resident, the approval process is to sign up during regular online registration as an "Out Of Town Resident". A non-resident fee will be added. If you live within the boundaries of the Easton Area School District, AND there is no recreational youth basketball program in the town that you live in, AND if there is room on a team, you will be approved by the Forks Township Recreation Board. You only need to appear at the monthly Recreation Board Meeting if there are other circumstances that the Board will need to hear as to why the player should be allowed to play in Forks Twp. If approved, you will be notified at that meeting and placed into the pool of players.
- Sign-ups are held during the month of September for basketball. If a child is not signed up by the last day of the month, they will be waitlisted until it is determined that a roster spot is available. Registering late DOES NOT ensure your child a spot on a team. When team rosters are populated, it is then determined if there is any room left on a team in the child's age group or if there are enough late sign-ups to form a new team. The parent would be contacted by the Commissioner if space is available. A late fee will be added to their registration, and payment would need to be made within one week.
- All boys and girls already on a team from the previous season shall remain together on that same team, assuming the registration process is completed on time and a majority of the players from the previous season return.
- Players who did not play the previous season will be assigned to teams either through an actual evaluation draft or draft process among the team coaches at that level. Draft order will be determined first by the teams with the fewest number of returning players, and secondly by team

record in the previous regular season. If team records are significantly imbalanced, the Commissioner can assign draft order to balance team skills.

- Roster maximum for each team is 12 players. If a new team must be formed due to an influx of sign-ups, that coach shall have the first pick of the draft superseding the draft order defined above.

- **PLAYING TIME**

- The CBL does not currently have a significant playing time rule, other than a child must enter a game until the ball is turned over. Forks will follow league rules.

- **PRACTICE AND GAME ATTENDANCE**

- In basketball, it is critical to attend all scheduled practices and games. A child must learn the plays and work together with the team to learn basketball successfully. If a child must miss a game or practice, a coach must be notified. A coach may alter playing time accordingly if a child is missing practices.

- **PARENT BEHAVIOR DURING PRACTICES AND GAMES**

- Parents are asked to refrain from coaching or voicing concern to referees from the sidelines at any time. This causes confusion for both coaches and players and distracts the players from their position and could result in injury to a child. Referees DO have the authority to remove a spectator from courtside!! We are subject to fines if coaches or parents get out of hand.

- **AGE BRACKETS**

If your age on Sept 1 of this year is	You will participate in	Fee
7-8	Skill Development Clinic, once per week	\$75
9	U9 Competitive League	\$75
10	U10 Competitive League	\$75
11	U11 Competitive League	\$75
12	U12 Competitive League	\$75
13	U13 Competitive League	\$75
14-15	U15 Competitive League	\$75
16	U16 Competitive League	\$75
17 (boys only)	U17 "In The Zone" League	\$75

- **PLAYING UP**

- A child may "play up" to the next level if approved by the Commissioner. Playing "up" will be based on the **need** for skilled players at the next level up, not on the skill level of the player. A highly skilled player may not be allowed to play up if there is not a team need at the next level.

- **PLAYOFFS**

- The top four teams in each division enter the playoffs. **The teams cannot use players from another team.**