

**West Allis-West Milwaukee
Recreation & Community Services Department**

Winter 2022-23

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUES

Grades: 2nd-8th



REGISTRATION: [Online](#)

BEGINS: Tuesday, September 6, 8am

ENDS: Monday, November 21, 5pm

**RCS Center, 2450 S. 68th St. West Allis, WI 53219
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8am-5pm, Friday, 8am-4pm
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Basketball Information 2022-23

We are pleased to have your child participating in our basketball program. The season is scheduled to start the week of December 5– Saturday, February 25. During the season our website will also have information posted in regards to practices, game schedules, etc.

Fee: \$45 Resident/\$68 non-resident. Fees will increase \$10 after the registration deadline of Monday, November 21, 5pm.

Important Dates

Coach Meeting: **Tuesday, November 29th, 6pm at the RCS Center**

Practices begin the week of December 5.

Games begin Saturday, January 14.

Season ends on Saturday, February 25.

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Gym Locations

2nd-3rd grade teams will practice at Horace Mann and play games at Lane Intermediate.

4th-8th grade teams will practice and play games at Lane Intermediate.

Horace Mann: 6213 W. Lapham St. West Allis, WI 53214

Lane Intermediate: 1300 S. 109th St. West Allis, WI 53214

Team Formation

Players are separated by grade, gender and school. Roster sizes will be kept to 8-10 players. Grades will be combined (2-3, 4-5 and 6-8) if a minimum of 4 teams can not be formed.

The first 10 players to register from a school will be assigned to that school's team. If sufficient players register, two teams will be formed based on the order they registered. Example (1-10 on team A, 11-20 on team B). If a school has more than 10 players but less for two full teams, those players will be split into two groups. Example (12 players will be split into two groups of 6).

Resident players registering after a school's limit has been reached will be assigned randomly to a team. The department will make an effort to keep players from the same school together if possible. This may require players from multiple schools to be placed together.

Any registration received after the designated program deadline will be placed on a team if space is available.

Game Schedule

League consists of 7 games, played on Saturdays.

Games are played in the Main and Aux Gyms at Lane Intermediate.

2-3 and 6-8 grade will play in the Main Gym. 4-5 grade will play in the Aux Gym.

2-5 grade game times will be every hour at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 or 12:00.
6-8 grade game times will follow 2-3 grades and will likely be in the early afternoon.
Game times will vary each week. A schedule will be distributed with team rosters.

Practice Schedule

Teams will practice once a week at the coach's discretion.
The practice day and time will be selected by the coach at the coaches meeting.
Practices will be for one hour; 5:30-6:30 or 6:30-7:30pm.
Teams will practice once during the week and practice or play a game on Saturday.
For the first 3 weeks, teams will practice on Saturday.
Saturday practice dates: December 10, 17, January 7.
No practices December 23-January 2.

Coaches

Each team must have a volunteer parent coach to play or practice. Parents are encouraged to volunteer. If a team does not have a volunteer coach, an RCS coach will be assigned.

Background Checks

All head and assistant coaches will be screened for a criminal background check. This screening is provided by a third party vendor. Coaches can expect to receive an email directly from the vendor prior to the first game requesting a background check, follow the steps provided in the email to complete this screening.

Sportsmanship / Code of Conduct / Concussion Awareness

Each player, coach and parent should exhibit good sportsmanship throughout the season.

All coaches, parents and athletes are required to sign a Concussion Awareness form per sport, per season. Please complete these forms prior to the first game of the season. All forms must be completed prior to participation.

Coach Meeting

Coaches are required to attend a mandatory coaches meeting prior to the season.

At the meeting, the following will take place:

- Receive player roster
- League rules
- Select practice time
- Questions/other trainings

All coaches must be present at practices and games or arrange for a suitable replacement.

All coaches must provide a positive, safe and fun environment for youth.

Schedules and team rosters will not be available until the coaches meeting.

Uniforms/Equipment

WAWM RCS will provide an official t-shirt and basketball for each player.

The provided t-shirt must be worn at all games.
Gym shoes and athletic attire are recommended.

Jewelry/Casts

No jewelry of any kind may be worn during games. Jewelry cannot be covered with tape - it must be removed.

No casts, wristwatches, large rings, bracelets, neck chains or splints allowed during play.

Playing Time

Each player will play a minimum of one half per game. It is the responsibility of the coach to be sure that the minimum playing time is reached for each player.

Game modifications for each level: Please see 'League Rules' for each grade level

USA Youth Basketball Guidelines:

[Ages 7-8](#)

[Ages 9-11](#)

[Ages 12-14](#)

Zero Tolerance Policy

The WAWM RCS has implemented a Zero Tolerance policy throughout our sports programs.

Coaches are asked to encourage their players in a positive way and avoid verbally harassing game personnel. No trash talking, obscene gestures, spiking the ball or other unsportsmanlike behavior will be tolerated.

WAWM RCS Staff reserve the right to suspend any coach for unsportsmanlike behavior during games or practices. Coaches who demonstrate this type of behavior will be required to meet with the Youth Sports Manager and other staff deemed necessary for the situation. Players or parents will be removed from the game for a period deemed necessary by RCS staff.