

BRAINTREE TRAVEL BASKETBALL TRYOUT INFO

OBJECTIVE:

It is the objective of Braintree Travel Basketball is to provide a positive learning experience with an emphasis on skills development.

TRYOUT FORMAT:

- Please be sure that your child's name and your email address are on the sign-in sheet.
- The tryout will include a series of various basketball related skill/drills.
- Selection criteria includes, but is not limited to: basketball skills, attitude & coachability.
- There will be a second tryout. Your child is required to attend only one of the two tryouts. It is fine if they would like to attend both tryouts.
- In some divisions, coaches may choose 20-24 players to make the travel program but not divide the group up into "A" and "B" teams until later in the season.
- All coaches reserve the right to move players from the "A" to "B" and/or "C" team at any point in the season. Coaches decisions in this area are considered final.
- Players skills change from year to year, so making last year's team is no guarantee of making this year's team.

NOTIFICATION:

- Everyone who tries out for a team will be notified via email. Unfortunately, not everyone who tries out will make a team.
- If you child does not make the team, be ready for answer before asking coach why.

FEES:

- The fee to play Travel Basketball is \$225.00. This includes a uniform, weekly practice time and a 10-12 game schedule (number of games vary between leagues) plus an end of season playoff.
- All checks should be made out to BYB
- Participation in additional tournaments are at the discretion of the coach. Fees for tournaments, typically \$20-\$30, will be paid by individual players and are not included in the \$225.00 travel fee.

PLAYING TIME:

- The priority of each coach is to increase your child's skill level and overall enjoyment of the game of basketball in a team setting. However, unlike BYB, the goal of travel teams is to win basketball games. Please understand that players are not entitled to equal playing time. Playing time is earned and assigned at the discretion of the coach. That said, every player should expect to play in at least 1-1/2 quarters of every game they attend. If players miss multiple practices/games, their playing time may be decreased.

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ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:

- All Coaches are volunteers. They are giving up a tremendous amount of personal time to coach your child, please treat them with respect. If you want to discuss an issue regarding your child, please do so in private.
- Both parents and players will be required to sign a “Zero Tolerance” policy regarding acceptable behavior toward, referees, coaches and players.
- If the player or parent fails to meet the criteria of the Zero Tolerance Policy the player will be removed from the team. No refund will be given to players who are removed from a team.

IT IS ABOUT THE KIDS:

- Youth Sports have become increasingly stressful for all participants over the past several years. Please remember that your child is doing their best. Please support your child in their efforts, not belittle them for their shortcomings. These kids, they are not perfect, let them make mistakes and help pick them up when they do.
- There are many parents out there who think their child is going to get a college scholarship based on their performance in a particular sport. Unless they are tremendously physically gifted, this is not likely going to be the case for most players. Please keep this in mind and keep the Youth Sports experience in perspective.
- We have all seen and heard the reports on TV and in the papers about over-the-top sports parents who say and do wacky things, please don't be “That Parent”.
- We also ask that you let the coach's coach, it only confuses kids when they hear people (parents) in the stands shouting one thing and the coach shouting another. When the coach is shouting “Pass” and the parent is shouting “Shoot”, invariably, the confused player dribbles the ball off their foot and it goes out of bounds. At this point, nobody is happy.

Thank You,

Braintree Travel Basketball
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