

## **WWBA Frequently Asked Questions**

**When can we register?** “Online” registration on our website (wwbabasketball.com) will open up in early August. Check the website for exact dates. You will be required to create an account and pay by credit or debit card.

**What if I forget to register?** If you haven’t registered by the deadline, you will most likely be put on a waiting list and be required to pay the waiting list and late fee.

**Do you give refunds if my child decides not to participate?** Refunds will be issued up until the first game. You will need to print a Refund Form from our web site and give it to your coach or director after filling it out. Your director’s signature is required to get a refund.

**What are the age divisions?** The WWBA offers separate boys and girls divisions from 1st grade through high school. The division a player plays in is based on their age as of August 15th.

PeeWee division: Ages 6-7;

Training division: Ages 8-9;

JV division: Ages 10-12;

Varsity Boys: Ages 12-13;

High School Boys: Ages 14-18

**What size basketball will my child be using?** Basketball sizes used in games are as follows:

PeeWee division – 27.5 in.

Training, JV, and Varsity/High School Girls – 28.5 in.

Varsity and High School Boys – 29.5 in.

**What are the goal heights for each division?**

PeeWee Division - 8ft

Training Division - 9ft

JV Division - 10ft

**How long does the season last?** The season lasts until the end of February. Elementary divisions start practicing in mid-October with games starting the first week of November. Middle school and high school divisions start practicing the first of November with games starting at the end of November.

**Are players allowed to “play up” or “play down”?** Players are allowed to play up a division. For a player to be allowed to play down a division, it must be approved by that school’s director. This is not normally allowed.

**How much is the league fee?** Please visit our website for fees. If parents register by the registration deadline the price is \$115 for the season. After the registration deadline, the last registration price must be paid, \$125 for the season.

**What is included in the league fee?** The league fee covers the cost of a reversible jersey, supplemental insurance for each participant, the cost of renting gyms for practices and games, the cost of equipment (basketballs, scorebooks, equipment repairs), and cost to hire referees for games, the cost to hire monitors for practices and games, and league administration.

**How are teams formed?** After the registration period is over, players attend an “evaluation” on a certain night so that coaches can see each player. After their evaluation, coaches get together and draft teams based on all players evaluations. Directors from other schools are present to oversee the draft. Players cannot be traded to another team after they are drafted. We also do not honor requests to place a player on a certain team to play with another child or to play for a certain coach. All players go through the draft process.

**Can my child play if he/she attends a private school or is home schooled?** If you live in West Wilson County and/or if your child is zoned for one of our participating schools, your child can play in the league.

**When are evaluations?** Check the web site for the date and time of your child’s evaluation. Evaluations will be held at your child’s school on a Monday night. PeeWee evaluations are at 6:00, Training evaluations are at 7:00, and JV evaluations are at 8:00.

**If my child cannot be at evaluations will he/she still get to play?** Any child that has registered and cannot attend evaluations will be put into a “blind draft” and will be drafted to a team. The coach will give you a call.

**What if there are not enough players to form a team at my child’s school?** If there are not enough players to form a team, players from another school will combine to form a team. We will try to get players from the closest school but it will depend on which schools need players to form teams. If you don’t want your child playing at the school he/she may be placed, you can get a refund.

**What are the rules for different divisions?** Rules are posted on our website. The rules do differ by division.

**When and how often to teams practice?** Elementary divisions practice twice a week (once during the week and once on Saturday) until games begin. After games start on Saturdays, they practice once during the week. Middle school and high school divisions practice twice a week until games begin and then do not practice until they return after the Christmas break.

**What happens in case of inclement weather?** If schools are closed any day during the week for inclement weather, there will be no practice or games on those days. Saturday practices/games are up to director’s discretion. Info will be posted on the web site and on Facebook as soon as a decision has been made.