



Kimberly Area Youth Basketball Club

2011 – 2012



2011 Program Structure

General

- We will support as many players that want to play basketball at all levels assuming we have enough volunteer coaches and financial resources
- All players 3rd thru 6th Grade will participate in the Heart of the Valley League to participate on a KAYBC Travel Team
 - Exception – Parochial students whose school league interferes with HOV League
 - Exception – 3rd Grade girls – no HOV league offered
 - Grandfather Clause to new structure – 2011 6th Grade Boys First Travel / State Team will not participate
- All players 7th and 8th Grade are expected to play on their respective school teams to participate on KAYBC Travel Team
- We want to increase playing time opportunities by reducing roster sizes to 8 or 9 players and increasing the number of tournaments sponsored for each class based on the total number of participants
 - Players will volunteer / be scheduled to sit out a tournament to keep roster size to 8 or 9 players
 - Coaches children may play in an additional tournament(s) based on total numbers
- # of Tournaments per group = # of participants in class divided by 9 multiplied by the # of tournaments (paid for / excludes Kimberly tournament) for the particular grade
 - Example – 32 boys in 5th grade up to 7 tournaments sponsored
 - 32 divided by 9 multiplied by 7 (roundup) = 25 tournaments



2011 Program Structure

General Continued

- **Traveling Teams** – we recognize all groups are going to be different based on the number of players and talent level of each particular class, so we are striving to make this a positive & challenging experience for all players
 - **3rd and 4th Grade**
 - Teams evenly split talent
 - 3rd Grade to play in up to 5 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament)
 - 4th Grade to play in up to 6 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament)
 - **5th and 6th Grade**
 - Goal is to have a progressive structure
 - Play in up to 5 tournaments evenly split talent (includes Kimberly tournament)
 - 2 tournaments + state tournament for top performing 10-12 players
 - Increase competition level of more talented players – known stronger tournaments or possibly playing up a grade level (if playing up a grade level avoid playing in any tournaments with other Kimberly teams from that grade)
 - 2 tournaments for players not select to state tournament
 - Give lesser developed players opportunity to take lead / increased roles during games – play in appropriate level tournaments
 - **7th and 8th Grade**
 - Program structure under direction/guidance of KHS Varsity Coaches
 - Play in up to 11 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament) + state tournament
- **Traveling Team coaches and coordinators by class should meet prior to the season and come to an agreement on offensive plays and out of bounds plays to minimize confusion when mixing players during the season**
 - Follow directions from KHS Varsity Coaching Staffs



2011 Program Structure

Heart of the Valley League

- Boys 3rd thru 6th Grade / Girls 4th thru 6th Grade
 - All interested in playing make a team
 - Participate in September skills assessment
 - Coaches to evenly divided talent across each team
 - 8 to 10 players per team
 - Playing time
 - 3rd and 4th grade - evenly divided playing time minutes per game
 - 5th and 6th grade – minimum 50% playing time

2011 6th Grade Boys First Travel / State Team

- Grandfather clause to new structure – established as an “Advanced” team in 3rd Grade
- 6th Grade Boys will have the opportunity to decide if they wish to try out for this team
- KHS Varsity Staff to select team during Skills Assessment
- Boys not selected will be placed on HOV teams and have the opportunity to play on travel teams following HOV
- Team will play in a total of 11 tournaments (includes Kimberly & State Tournament)



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Traveling Teams 3rd thru 6th Grade

- **Traveling Teams Participation Requirements**
 - Players that are interested and committed to continuing to play basketball thru the end of their respective season
 - Demonstrate ability to follow Players Code of Conduct throughout the season
 - Issues should be promptly addressed by the coach/coordinator with the player/parent prior to traveling team selection
 - Simply put...
 - Kids that show a desire to play, listen, and work hard at getting better will be on a team
 - Kids that do not show a desire to be there, do not listen or are disruptive to development of the rest of the team will not be included
- **Traveling Team Selection / # of Participants**
 - Coordinators / Coaches - midway through HOV Season (week of Nov 14th)
 - Communicate to players/parents of traveling team selection & determine players interested in playing on a traveling team
 - Schedule Skills assessment for grade with varsity coaching staffs during normally scheduled practice time
 - KHS Staff / coaches / coordinators to evaluate players and determine initial traveling teams
 - Goal is for all players that meet the Traveling Team Participation Requirements (see bullet point above) make a travel team assuming we have enough coaches to handle the # of players
 - Exception – 3rd Grade Girls Traveling team to be selected at second week of Skills and Drills in mid December



2011 Program Structure

Traveling Teams 3rd thru 6th Grade

- Prefer that teams
 - Practice together if possible depending on # of participants and gym availability
 - Mix teams at least once during travel season
 - Play with other kids from their class
 - Experience other coaches
 - Should also look at previous years teams / coaches
- Tournaments
 - # of Tournaments
 - 3rd Grade up to 5 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament)
 - 4th Grade up to 6 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament)
 - 5th and 6th Grade up to 7 tournaments (includes Kimberly tournament) + State Tournament
 - Rosters – 8 to 9 players per tournament team
 - Rotate players to sit out a tournament if necessary
 - All players to play in Kimberly tournament if available
 - No late player substitutions/additions unless a team falls below 8 players



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Traveling Teams 3rd thru 6th Grade

- Playing time guidelines
 - 3rd and 4th Grade - minimum 50% playing time per game
 - 5th Grade – minimum 40% playing time per game
 - 6th Grade – minimum 35% playing time per game
 - In situations where one Kimberly Team plays another Kimberly Team in a tournament – all players should play a minimum of 50% of the game
 - Coaches may reduce a players playing time for failure to follow Players Code of Conduct
 - State tournaments – no minimum guarantees of playing time

7th and 8th Grade

- KHS Varsity Coaching staffs to determine structure per class
 - Try-outs will be held
 - Varsity coaches to meet with Traveling Team coaches / coordinators to determine:
 - Structure (example – Mixed, A/B and or C, Progressive, etc) for the season
 - Coaching assignments
 - Playing time expectations
 - # of players per tournament team
 - Coordinator / Coaches to communicate to KAYBC Officers and then to parents upon completion of meeting



2011 State Tournament Team / Selection Process

State Tournament Team – recommend 10 players on team max of 12 players

- State tournament team to play in 2 tournaments together prior to state
- State tournament no playing time minimums – playing to win
 - Coaches should discuss with parent/players that might see limited playing time prior making commitment

5th and 6th Grade – Selection

- Timing approximately 4-5 weeks prior to the particular classes state tournament
- Head and Assistant Coaches to individually rank top 10 players
 - 1=best player in class, 2=second best player, 10th best player
- Rankings to be sent to KAYBC president to determine top 10 players by rankings
 - Point system applied per the ranking
 - If ties exist with the final roster spots – team can increase to as large as 12 players if player/parent chooses to participate on team knowing playing time maybe limited
 - KAYBC President reserves the right to contact / hold meeting with coaches if large discrepancies exist between player rankings
- Grade Coordinator / Head Coach to individually communicate with parents their child's selection to the state tournament team and confirm decision to play
 - Parents who's children ranked in 9th-12th roster spots must be informed that playing time maybe limited
- Grade Coordinator / Head Coach to communicate finalized state team roster to all parents

7th and 8th Grade - Selection

- KHS Varsity Coaching Staff & Traveling Team coaches to determine structure for selection or use the above process

State Tournament Coaches – Selection

- Coaches who's son or daughter are selected for the state tournament team will meet to determine who will be the head coach, assistant coach and bench/book coach