

Gwinnett Basketball League (GBL)

2008-2009 Season Overview

The Gwinnett Basketball League (GBL) is a highly competitive youth basketball program designed specifically to enhance the skills of the most serious minded basketball players. If you are interested in developing your basketball skills by playing against the best competition in Gwinnett County you may be interested in trying out for one of the Parkview GBL teams. The Parkview teams will play against the best players from other school districts in Gwinnett County such as Brookwood, Grayson, Duluth and Mill Creek among others. Teams are formed based on a tryout, coaches evaluation and selection. All players that tryout will not necessarily be selected for the team. To be eligible to tryout and participate, you must show proof of residency in the Parkview school cluster.

Parkview will have boys and girls GBL teams participating in the 5th, 6th and 7th grade leagues. The GBL teams will practice a minimum of two nights during the week with games on both Saturday and Sunday during the season. All games will be played at the Suwannee Sports Academy located in Duluth.

Tryouts for the teams will be in September (times listed below). Team practices will begin in October and games will begin in early November and go through mid-February. The season will consist of a 16 game schedule followed by a season-ending tournament.

This is an extremely competitive league. **THERE WILL BE NO GUARANTEED PLAYING TIME.** All GBL players will get every opportunity to show their skills and each will receive as much playing time as possible, however like the school teams, playing time is not guaranteed. While the intent of this league is to prepare players for high school basketball, it is not implied that a boy or girl not playing GBL will not make his or her high school team or that a player on a GBL team is guaranteed to make their high school team. The Mountain Park recreational basketball league has always guaranteed two quarters of playing time and will continue to do so. Some players develop later than others and additional playing time in the recreational league is sometimes best. Please understand there are usually 8 to 10 players on each GBL team and playing time may be limited.

If you are selected for the team, the costs per player to participate in the GBL program will be \$210 for league registration fees plus the costs of uniforms and other team expenses. It should be anticipated for a total cost per player to be a minimum of approximately \$300. Players not selected to the GBL team will be able to participate in the Mountain Park recreation leagues. The registration fees for the Mountain Park recreational program will be \$125.

For additional GBL or tryout information, please contact:
Boys – David Kelly 770-931-8330 or Paul Albright 770-367-7792
Girls – Jon Weyher 770-921-5979

GBL Tryout Schedule – Trickum Middle School (new gyms)

Sunday, September 21, 2008

5th Grade Boys and Girls: 2:00 – 3:00 PM

6th Grade Boys and Girls: 3:00 – 4:00 PM

7th Grade Boys and Girls 4:00 – 5:00 PM

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

5th Grade Boys and Girls: 6:00 – 7:00 PM

6th grade Boys and Girls: 7:00 – 8:00 PM

7th Grade Boys and Girls: 8:00 – 9:00 PM

It may not be mandatory that you attend both tryout dates, but there will be two sessions in an effort to accommodate everyone's schedule. Players are encouraged to attend both sessions, providing an opportunity to showcase their skills.