



INTER-COUNTY BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION (ICBA) - TRAVEL BASKETBALL

- Mandatory Tryout Date: Tuesday, October 5, 2021
(time assignments will be emailed)
- League Dates: Friday, December 17 – Thursday, December 23,
holiday break, resume Monday, January 3 – February 20. Playoffs
through March 20
- Grades 3 – 8 or Ages 8 - 13 (age as of Aug 1)
- Location: Various Springfield School District Gymnasiums
- Fee: \$185 Resident Only
- Registration Deadline: Sunday, September 26 at 11:59 pm
– No Exceptions –

All players must try out. Players must pre-register, no walk-in players will be admitted. This is a competitive league with 10 player rosters.

TRAVEL BASKETBALL FAQ SHEET



Q: Is Travel Basketball right for my child?

A: Travel Basketball is for competitive and experienced players. If your child is a beginner, it is recommended they try Recreation Basketball instead.

Q: Is Travel Basketball the only basketball option in Springfield Township?

A: No! Travel Basketball is for competitive play. The Township also offers Recreation Basketball which focuses on skill development in a fun, relaxed atmosphere.

Q: How many players are on a Travel Basketball roster?

A: 10 players are on each roster.

Q: How many teams will Springfield Township enter in the Inter-County Basketball Association (ICBA)?

A: Springfield will roster ONE team per age group (boys and girls). Springfield will have a boys and girls team in the following grades/ages: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and, 8th. .

Q: How do I know which grade or age group my child will play in?

A: August 1st, shall be the determining date for the age of the basketball players. Eligibility to participate is based first on the age determining date.

Example: 8 and Under/3rd grade - born on or after - August 1st and in the 3rd grade.

Q: What if my child cannot make try-outs?

A: Try-outs are mandatory. Although it is unfortunate, some players will miss try-outs due to COVID, illness, soccer practice, scheduling conflicts, etc. Players who do not come to try-outs will not be eligible to make a team.

Q: When will I know what team my child is on?

A: Parents and guardians will receive an email with team assignments no later than one week prior to the first meeting date. Should a player not make a team, they will be invited to play Recreation Basketball. The Rec program will begin in the late-fall / early-winter season. All players who sign up for Rec make a team, there are no cuts.

Q: Can I request specific practice and game times?

A: No. Practice and games are assigned based on gym availability. We cannot guarantee when your child will have practices or games. If you know your child is already committed to another activity on a specific night, maybe Travel Basketball is not the correct program to register for. Players are expected to make Travel Basketball the priority.

Q: My child plays in CYO and has a scheduling conflict, can I please request a specific try-out and practice time?

A: No. Travel is a priority due to the competitive nature. If a player cannot make try-outs or practice, they will not be eligible to play.



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Q: What is the masking policy?

A: The Inter-County Basketball Association (ICBA) does not have a COVID-19 Safety Protocol in place. Each team in the league will have a different set of COVID protocols. Teams will follow the protocols set in place by the home team. The Township cannot guarantee opposing teams will have masking requirements. Some teams will require masks, others will not. Players are encouraged to wear masks during away games.. When at home in Springfield Township, players will practice and play games in Springfield School Gymnasiums. Therefore, teams are subject to following the Springfield Township School District mask protocols. As of 9/13/2021, Governor Wolf has required masks be worn by anyone inside K-12 schools. Please note, this is subject to change. Players, coaches and spectators are required to wear masks regardless of vaccination status.

Q: How can residents and non-residents register for Parks and Recreation sports leagues?

A: Currently registrations are accepted online via RecDesk. Please visit our website at <https://springfieldmontco.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.

Q: What is included with the price of registration?

A: The Springfield Township Travel Basketball League consists of competitive basketball with instruction from volunteer coaches. The program will include team try-outs, practices, and games. Each child will receive a game jersey and shorts.

Q: When and where will practice and games be held?

A: Players will practice on various days of the week the Springfield School Gymnasiums.

Q: What size is the court?

A: Players will practice on both half court and full court. Games are played on full court. Example: 8 and Under/3rd grade - born on or after - August 1st and in the 3rd grade.

Q: Can my child request to play with a friend or specific coach?

A: No. Players will try-out for the team and be assigned a coach.

Q: What should my child bring to practice and games?

A: Players are instructed to wear sneakers, and bring water to every practice and game. Balls and jerseys will be provided.

Q: How do I sign up as a volunteer coach? Do I need clearances?

A: All head coaches and assistant coaches can indicate their interest in volunteering during the registration process. All volunteers are required by the state of Pennsylvania to acquire a Child Abuse Clearance and Criminal History Clearance. These clearances are free and valid for 5 years.

- PA Child Abuse Clearance: www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS
- PA State Criminal History Clearance: <https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp>