



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

October 24, 2018

Dear Parents and Participants of YMCA Youth Basketball,

I would like to welcome you to the YMCA Youth Sports Program. I am looking forward to a great program where the participants will be able to learn the fundamentals of basketball in a non-competitive, fun environment. It is truly the greatest thing to see when a child learns a new skill and is able to make new friends at the same time.

The youth basketball program runs from Saturday October 27th, 2018 to February 09th, 2019. Please pay close attention to the schedule this year as we are off a number of weeks during the season due to holidays/swim and gymnastics meets at the YMCA.

This Saturday will run as follows: Brief parent, coaches, and players meeting to introduce staff, update everyone on the season and get players in correct areas. Players will work with YMCA Staff and volunteer coaches to learn the necessary skills and fundamentals. The next week will also be a practice, with the remaining 10 weeks consisting of a 20-minute practice followed by their game to further develop the fundamentals and skills. (Excluding K-1, this segment has 6 weeks' practice, 6 weeks' games)

Each grade should come to the main gym according to the times on your schedule included with this letter.

Friday January 4th will be an all star break for the players. Players are invited to attend Friday night at their scheduled time to participate in a ball handling/dribbling clinic. Please see schedule for times.

Volunteer coaches are essential to the success of the program and we are still in need with many of our teams. If you would like to coach, assist, or even just help I would like to encourage you to try it. I would be happy to provide a coaches clinic for any parents interested in coaching. If you are interested, please contact me at (715) 342-2980 Ext. 331 for more details.

Kindest Regards,

Michael Prince