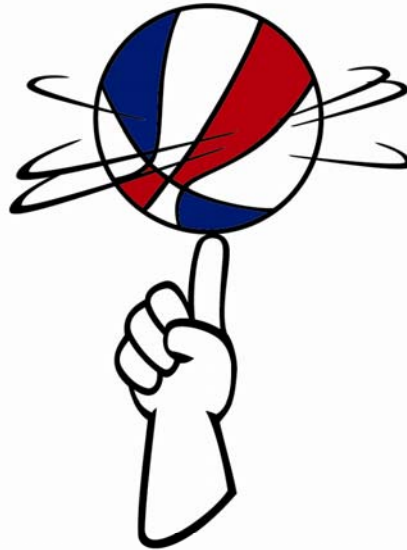


**2009**  
**REG STATE**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**



***In-House Championship  
Basketball At Its Best***



**Dear Coach, In House or Community Education Director,**

**On behalf of the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services (MYAS), we welcome you to the 2009 Rec State Basketball Championships. There were a total of 147 teams that competed in the tournament in 2008 and we are anticipating over 175 teams in 2009. The Rec State Basketball Championship has become the premier state tournament for in-house teams. Each year the tournament features the top Division I, II and III in-house teams from across the state competing for the state championships. The MYAS is proud to administer the biggest in-house state basketball tournament in the Upper Midwest. We trust that participating players, coaches and parents will have a great state tournament experience.**

**A maximum of 48 teams per grade/gender (16 per division) will be accepted into the tournament. Please complete the enclosed entry application and team roster and return them to the MYAS office on or before the entry deadline listed below. The entry fee, proof of players' grade, team roster and Player and Coach Code of Conduct form must be submitted along with the entry application and roster. The tournament schedules and a coach packet will be mailed to the head coach at least two weeks prior to the tournament. No phone-in or faxed registrations will be accepted. Send to: Minnesota Youth Athletic Services; 4111 Central Avenue NE, Suite 208; Columbia Heights, MN 55421; Attn: Kevin Wilson.**

**Good luck to all the teams! Remember, your cooperation is essential to the smooth operation of the tournament.**

<b>Boys and Girls Tournament Dates:</b>	March 20-22, 2009
<b>Entry Fee:</b>	\$200.00*
<b>Entry Deadline:</b>	February 27, 2009

\*The MYAS uses Checkmate verification and recovery services. If your check is returned, the maximum penalty will be assessed according to Minnesota state law. **No refunds will be issued after the entry deadline.**

**Grades:** 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11/12

**Levels:** Division I (highest level), II and III

**Location:** Cottage Grove, Minneapolis, Edina, Inver Grove Heights and other metro area sites

**Awards\*:** Champions: Team trophy, championship banner and individual awards for players.

2nd, 3rd and 4th Place: Team trophy and individual awards for players

\*Awards will be prorated for any division with fewer than eight teams entered

**NOTE:** Coaches: Please advise parents and fans that our tournament host(s) will charge an admission fee to help recover some of their facility cost.

# Team Eligibility

The Rec State Basketball Championship is held for teams that participate in a park and recreation, community education or in-house program. Team rosters must be composed of players who reside or attend school within the jurisdiction of the team's drawing area. The team roster must consist of players from the same league during the 2008-09 basketball season. Teams are not allowed to pick up players from other community park and recreation programs. All-star teams are not eligible to participate in the Rec State Basketball Championships. (An all-star team is defined as a team with players from multiple communities.) If a team is declared ineligible prior to participating in the tournament, the team will be removed and a refund will be provided. If a team is determined to be ineligible during the tournament, the team will be disqualified at the time of discovery without a refund. The team's last game played will be forfeited and all previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.

High school teams comprised of players who did not make their school program are eligible to participate. High school intramural teams formed by a bona fide organization are also eligible to participate. High school teams that participate in the tournament must consist of players from the same school. If a high school intramural team is determined to have players from multiple schools, the team will be disqualified from the tournament without a refund. The team's last game played will be forfeited and all previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.

Travel basketball teams are not eligible to participate in the 2009 Rec State Basketball Championships. A "travel basketball team" is defined as a team emanating from a school or a bona fide community athletic association via a tryout process. Any team discovered to be a travel basketball team during the event will be disqualified without a refund. (**Note:** Any in-house teams that played in MYAS Super Saver Tournaments in the "Rec" or "C" division are still eligible to participate).

In-house teams are not allowed to participate in both the 2009 Grade State Basketball Championships and the 2009 Rec State Basketball Championships. Any team discovered to have participated in both tournaments will be disqualified from competition without a refund.

## Divisions of Competition

Coaches are responsible for classifying their team in the appropriate division of play. Coaches should classify their teams based upon the skill level of their players and the level of competition in their league. The MYAS reserves the right to contact park and recreation, community education and/or in-house directors to verify the origin of the team make-up and appropriate level of competition. **Also, we reserve the right to combine divisions and move teams up or down.** Seeding and placement of teams in each division will be via a blind draw. All class designations and subsequent seeds as determined by the MYAS will be final.

**Division I:** This division is designed for teams that consist of players with advanced skill levels and finished as one of the top two teams in their league.

**Division II:** This division is designed for teams that consist of players with intermediate skill levels and finished as the third or fourth place team in their league.

**Division III:** This division is designed for teams that did not finish as one of the top four teams in their league.

## Tournament Format

All teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games. Our tournament format has been modified to produce "true" third and fourth places (in divisions with eight or more teams). Tournament brackets will be dictated by the number of teams registered in each grade and division. A minimum of four teams in a specific division is needed in order to offer a tournament in that division of play.

# Player Eligibility Regulations

1. **Player Participation:** Players must participate in a park and recreation, community education or bona fide in-house program. Players who did not make their high school teams are eligible to form a team to participate in the Rec State Basketball Championships. Players participating on intramural teams formed by a bona fide organization are also eligible to participate. High school players must attend the same school to be eligible to participate. **Players that compete on a travel basketball or high school team are not eligible to participate.** Players may not be recruited from other teams that are planning to participate in the tournament. Players may not be rostered on more than one team for the tournament. Girls can only play on girls' teams and boys can only play on boys' teams.

Players may not participate in both the 2009 MYAS Grade State Basketball Championships and the 2009 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championships. Any player discovered to have participated in the MYAS Grade State Basketball Championships will be disqualified. The coach will also be disqualified but the team will be allowed to participate. At the time of discovery, the team's last game played will be forfeited. All previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.

2. **Player Pick-Up:** Coaches are allowed to pick up players from other teams **in their in-house program** to help complete their roster or strengthen their team. Teams that pick up players for the tournament **are not** required to compete in Division I. Note: Coaches that pick up players to strengthen their team are encouraged to move up a division of play. High school teams consisting of players that did not make their school program are not allowed to pick up players from other schools.
3. **Player Eligibility:** Players must play in the grade division in which they are currently enrolled and must meet the appropriate age limitations specified below:

4th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1997  
5th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1996  
6th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1995  
7th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1994  
8th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1993

9th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1992  
10th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1991  
11th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1990  
12th Grade - Born on or after September 1, 1989

It is permissible for a player to play up from their designated grade division, but they may not play down.  
Example: A 6th grader may play on a 7th grade team, but a 7th grader may not play on a 6th grade team.

4. **Use of Ineligible Players:** If a player is declared ineligible prior to their team's participation in the tournament, the player is disqualified but the team is still eligible to participate. If a team participates in the event with an ineligible player, the team and the coach will be disqualified at the time of discovery and the team's last game played will be forfeited. All previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.
5. **Player Proof of Grade:** All teams participating in the 2009 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championship **MUST** mail in proof of their players' grade along with their entry application, roster and entry fee. **For your convenience, it is strongly recommended that you request a letter from your players' school(s) that identifies them by name and grade. This letter must be on school letterhead and must be signed by a school official.** The information will be returned to the coach during team check-in at the tournament. The information will be shredded if it is not picked up by the coach.

Examples of acceptable documentation include a signed letter from school official verifying grade level, a Student I.D. with grade level or a current report card with grade level. A team's entry will **NOT** be finalized until proper grade verification for each player has been submitted to the MYAS office

6. **Team Rosters:** 12 players maximum; teams may have a maximum of two coaches on the bench (scorekeeper or manager may sit on the bench for a total of three).

# Playing Rules

All competition will be played under National Federation of High School rules for the current year, except where modified below.

1. **Ejection Policy:** Any coach, player or spectator ejected from a contest will be disqualified from participation in **that game and the next game**. They will be allowed to participate after their disqualification has expired. However, if their ejection was due to “flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct,” they will be disqualified for **the remainder of the event**. Examples of “flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct” include but are not limited to cheating, fighting, repeated abuse of tournament and/or game officials, threats to tournament and/or game officials, repeated use of profane language, etc. Ejections may be appealed to the tournament Protest Committee. The Protest Committee consists of the Tournament Director, Host Representative and the referee in charge. **Any ruling by the Protest Committee is final.**
2. **Defense Restrictions:**
  - A. 4th-6th Grade: No full court pressing. Players must drop back to half court at the change of possession. Man to man (person to person) defense only outside the three point line. No double teaming or trapping outside the three-point line. Double teaming is allowed only inside the lane. One warning will be issued for any defense violation followed by a technical foul for subsequent violations.
  - B. 7th-10th and 11th/12th Grade: May use full court presses and zone defenses. Teams may not full court press at any time if they are ahead by 15 points or more. One warning will be issued for any defense violation followed by a technical foul for subsequent violations.
3. Bonus free throws are awarded on the seventh team foul. Double bonus free throws are awarded on the tenth team foul.
4. The three-point shot (where a three-point line exists) is in effect for all age divisions.
5. The basket height is 10 feet for all age divisions.
6. Technical fouls must be shot by a player from the offended team.
7. **Timing Factors:**
  - A. All grade levels will play eight five-minute, running time quarters. Stop time will be in effect for the last two minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> periods only.
  - B. Each team will be given a 10-minute grace period for their first game of the tournament. After the team's first game, game time is forfeit time. A minimum of three minutes will be allowed for pre-game warm up.
  - C. The first overtime period will be a one-minute, stop-time period. The second overtime period (if necessary) will be sudden death; first point scored wins. Each team will be awarded one time out for each overtime period. There is no carry over of time outs from regulation or overtime periods.
  - D. There will be a five-minute halftime following the 4<sup>th</sup> period. Coaches will have one minute between all other periods to speak to their teams and to have their next group of five players at the scorer's table ready for check-in.

# Playing Rules (cont.)

8. **Time Outs:** Time outs are limited to three per team per game and will not exceed 60 seconds each. A coach may call time out only if their team has possession of the ball and during any dead ball situations.
9. **Bench Personnel:** Only those players whose names appear on the official tournament roster may sit on the players' bench. This is limited to 12 players and no more than three other persons (i.e. two coaches and a trainer, scorer, etc.) to a maximum of 18 persons. No young children (non-players) will be allowed to sit on the bench.
10. **Equipment:**
  - A. Game balls for all girls' divisions and boys' 4th, 5th and 6th grade competitions will be the women's sized (28.5) basketball. The boys' 7th-10th and 11/12th grade divisions will use the official men's regulation sized basketball.
  - B. Uniforms: Jersey tops (t-shirts are acceptable) must be of identical color and must be numbered. We also recommend that numbers be at least four inches high and they must be non-duplicate. Teams are encouraged to bring light and dark colored jerseys.
  - C. First Aid: Each team is responsible for providing their own first aid supplies, water bottles, tape, etc. A trainer will be on-site to provide general EMT services.
  - D. Footwear: All participants must wear appropriate shoes for indoor play.

## Player Participation

A player participation rule is in effect to ensure that all participants share as close to equal playing time as possible during the game. The recommended amount of playing time is based upon the number of players available to compete in the game. For example, on a team with eight players, each player would play in five of the eight periods. The recommended number of periods for each player is listed on a player participation chart. The chart will be mailed in the coaches' packet prior to the tournament. Coaches should make copies of the chart for each one of their games and draw up a player rotation prior to each game. The coach should use the chart during each game to keep track of their players' playing rotation for each period. The coach is **not** required to submit chart to the scorer's table.

The starting five players must check in at the scorekeeper's table at the beginning of each period. The scorekeeper will keep track of the number of periods played for each player on the team. The scorekeeper will inform the official if a player exceeds their recommended amount of playing time. Any player violating the player participation rule will be disqualified from participation in that game and the next game.

Player substitutions are not allowed during the game due to the player participation rule. The only player substitutions allowed are for injury, blood rule or if a player picks up their 3rd foul in the first four periods or their 4th foul prior to the 8th period (coaches, at their discretion, may choose to leave a player on the court who is in serious foul trouble). During these situations, a coach may use any player on the bench as a substitute, but is encouraged to use a player of "comparable ability." The playing time of the sub will not be recorded against their normal rotation. The player removed for injury or because of the blood rule should return as soon as they are able. Coaches may not modify their normal playing rotation to "make up" for the removed player's "lost time."

# **Super Saver Basketball Tournaments for In-House, Community and Park & Recreation Teams!**

Does your team want more games each week and more experience playing in tournaments? The MYAS now offers Super Saver Tournaments for in-house teams. Many of the in-house teams receive only one game a week in their program. Many travel basketball players play in over 50 games during the season to help them get ready for high school basketball. Now, in-house players have the opportunity to play in Super Saver Tournaments to get more games to help them get ready for high school basketball.

## **Why Super Saver Tournaments for In-House Teams?**

- To provide in-house teams with more competitive games in a tournament environment
- To provide in-house teams with more games at different playing locations against teams from other communities
- More tournament games against good, quality competition is guaranteed to help increase the skill level and abilities of the players

## **Grades, Divisions and Playing Sites**

MYAS Super Saver In-House Tournaments are held for boys and girls in grades 4-12. The tournaments will feature two divisions of play for in-house teams. These divisions are competitive and non-competitive. Coaches are responsible for classifying their teams into the appropriate division. The MYAS reserves the right to move teams if necessary and to combine divisions with fewer than four teams entered. The one-day tournaments are held on Saturdays and Sundays and are conveniently located throughout the metro area. Teams are placed at sites according to their geographic location and according to the other teams entered in their division.

Super Saver Tournaments provide teams with a three-game guarantee in just one day. The tournament format is set up for each team to play three games in six hours, either in the morning or the afternoon, with one hour scheduled between each game.

## **Tournament Registration and Schedules**

The Super Saver Tournament registration form can be downloaded from the MYAS website at [www.myas.org](http://www.myas.org). The registration form must be completely filled out and submitted to the MYAS office along with the entry fee. The tournament schedules will be posted on the MYAS website at least ten days prior to each tournament. Schedules will not be mailed. Contact Kevin Wilson at the MYAS office at 763-781-2220 ext. 1712 or [kevin@myas.org](mailto:kevin@myas.org) if you have questions.

## Congratulations! 2008 Rec State Basketball Champions

<u>Boys' Divisions</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
4th Grade DII:	The Chill, Chaska	Tommy Hutton
4th Grade DIII:	Wolfpack, Cottage Grove	Ben Larry
5th Grade DII:	Farview, Minneapolis	Gene Crandall
5th Grade DIII:	Chaska	John Grothe
6th Grade DI/II:	Champlin	Dale Kocher
6th Grade DIII:	St. Therese, Eden Prairie	Travis Dye
7th Grade DII/III:	Tigers, Belle Plaine	Jerry Meger
8th Grade DI:	MCD, St. Paul	Robert Brown
8th Grade DII:	Maple Grove	Karen Whiley
8th Grade DIII:	Eden Praire	John Eglesder
9th/10th Grade DII/III:	Dunwoody, Minneapolis	Mike Shelton
11th/12th Grade DI:	Crimson GT, Maple Grove	Matt Kenney
11th/12th Grade DII:	Rebels 11, Champlin Park	Ron Berge
11th/12th Grade DIII:	Champlin Rebels	Dallas Hixson
<u>Girls' Divisions</u>		
4th-5th Grade DII:	Anoka Ramsey	Dean Vatne
4th-5th Grade DIII:	Rockford Rockets	Jim Clark
5th-6th Grade DI/II:	Lester Prairie	Steve Ziermann
6th Grade DIII:	Becker	Rob Fetherson
7th-8th Grade DI/II:	Maple Grove Flames	William Huefner
7th-8th Grade DIII:	Andover	Larry Britton
11th/12th Grade:	Wayzata	Robert Letich

# MINNESOTA YOUTH ATHLETIC SERVICES

## 9th Annual Rec State Baseball Championships



This coming August, the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services will be hosting our 9th annual Rec State Baseball Championships. This is a one of a kind tournament with an opportunity to compete at top venues against a variety of recreational (non-traveling) teams for a state championship.



This tournament is designed for non-traveling teams only! No traveling level teams or players will knowingly be allowed to participate.

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- Dates:** July 31st—August 2, 2009
- Level:** In-House (non-traveling) teams only!
- Divisions:** 4th grade/10U  
5th-6th grade/11U-12U  
7th grade/13U  
8th-9th grade /14U-15U
- Cost:** \$275.00 team registration fee (due July 20)  
\$100.00 team gate fee, paid to host community at tournament site
- Awards:** Team trophies and individual player/coach awards, 1st - 4th place
- Format:** Three-game guarantee; Pool play into bracket play
- More Info:** Contact Jeremy Barbe at (763) 781-2220 ext. 1731 with any questions, including team eligibility inquiries. Questions can also be answered by reading the "Frequently Asked Questions" page on the Rec State portion of the MYAS website ([www.myas.org](http://www.myas.org)).