

Dear In-House Directors and Coaches:

On behalf of the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services (MYAS), welcome to the 2019 Rec State Basketball Championship, scheduled for March 16-17! The Rec State Basketball Championship has become the premier state tournament for in-house teams. We are proud to be the administrative provider for the largest in-house state basketball tournament in the Upper Midwest.

A maximum of 48 teams per grade/gender (16 per division) will be accepted into the tournament. Please complete the enclosed team registration form. ***The team registration form, team roster (completed online) and entry fee must be submitted to the MYAS office on or before Monday, February 25, 2019.***



**Send to: Minnesota Youth Athletic Services; Attn: Kevin Wilson; 1011 Osborne Road; Spring Lake Park, MN 55432**

The team rosters must be completed online (via the Log In tab at [www.myas.org](http://www.myas.org)) and ***a physical copy must be printed, signed and submitted*** to the MYAS office along with all the team registration form (page 9).. Teams may have a maximum of 12 players and three coaches listed on the team roster and on the bench. The team roster must consist of players from the same league to be eligible for the Rec State Basketball Championship.

***All rosters are frozen after the tournament entry deadline. Any requests for exemptions to this rule must be made in writing and sent to Kevin Wilson (kevin@myas) for approval.***

The online roster also serves as your team's Code of Conduct. Once you have printed your completed roster, coaches and each player's parent/guardian must sign where indicated. **This signed roster must be submitted with the team registration form (page 8).**

Tournament schedules and other tournament information will be posted on the MYAS website ([www.myas.org](http://www.myas.org)).

**Tournament Dates:** March 16-17, 2019 (boys *and* girls)

**Entry Deadline:** February 25, 2019

**Entry Fee:** \$225.00 (payable to MYAS)

The MYAS uses a check verification and recovery service. 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:** 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9/10 and 11/12

**Levels:** Division A (highest level), B and C

**Locations:** Spring Lake Park, Maple Grove, North St. Paul, Osseo, Prior Lake, and St. Louis Park

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

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Place:** Team trophy and individual awards for players

**Divisions with eight teams or more will receive 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place awards for the players**

**Divisions with seven teams or less will receive 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> place awards for the players**

**Refusal Policy:** The MYAS reserves the right to refuse entry to any team that has not exhibited good conduct throughout the entire season. This includes, but is not limited to, invitational tournaments, league play and the **2018 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championship**.

**NOTE:** The Rec State Basketball Championship is a fundraiser for the tournament hosts. There will be an admission fee to help recover some of the cost for the tournament host. The fee is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students/seniors. All players and up to three coaches per team will be admitted free of charge.



**TEAM COMPOSITION**



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 from the same league during the 2018-19 basketball season. Players must reside or attend school within the jurisdiction of the league's drawing area. Coaches are **not** allowed to pick up players from other teams that participate in a league outside of their community park and recreation program.

**High school teams** comprised of players who did **not** make their school program are eligible to participate. The teams must consist of players from the same school. High school intramural teams formed by a bona fide organization are also eligible to participate. If a high school intramural team is determined to be illegal, the team will be disqualified from that game at the time of discovery. The team's last game played will be forfeited and all previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.

**All-star teams are not eligible** to participate in the Rec State Basketball Championship. An "all-star team" is defined as a team with players from multiple in-house programs/leagues. In-house or community education teams from outstate the metro areas that use multiple small communities to help form their league (due to lack of participants) are eligible to participate. The teams must consist of players from the same league. If a team is declared ineligible prior to participating in the tournament, the team will be removed and a refund will be issued. If a team is determined to be ineligible during the tournament, the team will be disqualified from that game at the time of discovery. 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 Rec State Basketball Championship. 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 and will not be issued 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 2019 Rec State Basketball Championship **and** the 2019 Grade State Basketball Championship. Any team discovered to have participated in both tournaments will be disqualified from competition without a refund. The team's last game played will be forfeited and all previous results of competition (if applicable) will still be valid.

**Special Note:** Any unique eligibility situations will be handled on a case by case basis. Determinations on these eligibility issues must be made prior to the entry deadline.



**TEAM ROSTER**



Team rosters must be completed online (via the Log In tab at ([www.myas.org](http://www.myas.org)) and a **physical copy must be printed, signed and submitted** to the MYAS office along with the team registration form and entry fee. **You are still required to submit the online team roster and the team registration form if register online for the tournament and pay with a credit card.** Teams may have a maximum of 12 players and three coaches listed on the team roster and on the bench. The team roster must consist of players from the same league to be eligible for the Rec State Basketball Championship.

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The online roster also serves as your team's Code of Conduct. Once you have printed your completed roster, coaches and each player's parent/guardian must sign where indicated. This signed roster must be submitted with the team registration form..

Players may not be rostered on more than one team for the MYAS Rec State Championship. Players may not play on a team in both the 2019 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championship **and** the 2019 MYAS Grade State Basketball Championship.



## DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION



Coaches are responsible for classifying their teams in the appropriate divisions 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 A:** This division is designed for teams that consist of players with advanced skill levels and that finished as one of the top two teams in their league.

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

**Division C:** 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



### ***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 team are eligible to form an intramural team to participate in the Rec State Championship. The players must all attend the same school to be eligible to play on the intramural team.
- Players participating on intramural teams formed by a bona fide organization or in-house program are also 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.
- Players are not eligible to participate on more than one team in the tournament.
- Girls may only play on girls’ teams and boys may only play on boys’ teams.
- Players may **not** participate in both the 2019 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championship **and** the 2019 MYAS Grade State Basketball Championship.

At the time of discovery, any team participating with an illegal player during the event will be disqualified from that game. The player will still be eligible to participate in the tournament with the first team that he or she played on. 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.

### ***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 the A division. (**Note:** However, 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 team are not allowed to pick up players from other schools. The players must all attend the same high school to be eligible to participate.



## PLAYER ELIGIBILITY REGULATIONS (cont.)



### **Player Eligibility:**

Players must play in the grade division in which they are currently enrolled and must meet the appropriate age limitations specified below:

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2008  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2007  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2006  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2005  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2004

8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2003  
9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2002  
10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2001  
11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 2000  
12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Born on or after September 1, 1999

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

### **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 tournament 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.

### **Player Proof of Grade:**

Teams will ***not*** be required to submit proof of grade (or age) for any rostered players with their tournament registration. Rather, each coach should have their grade (and age) verifications with them on site at the Rec State Championship in the event of a player or team protest. Failure to produce grade (and/or age) verification upon request may result in suspension and/or disqualification. **Any team/player protest must be accompanied by a \$100.00 cash protest fee. The protesting team will be verified BEFORE the team/player being protested is verified.**

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. Examples of other acceptable documentation include a student I.D. with grade level or a current report card with grade level.



## PLAYING RULES



All competition will be played under National Federation of State High School Associations 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, a Host Representative and the referee in charge. **Any ruling by the Protest Committee is final.**

2. **Defense Restrictions:**

- **NEW!!** 3rd-4th grade teams may full-court press in the last two minutes of each half and in overtime periods (see below for **exception**). During the last two minutes of each half and in overtime periods, teams may trap and play zone defense in the back court. After the ball crosses half court, person to person defense must be used. First offense – a warning will be issued; second offense – technical foul.
- **NEW!!** 5th grade teams must play person to person defense in the front court. Teams may trap and play zone defense in the back court
- Teams in 6th grade and above have no restrictions on full and half court defenses. See below for exception.

**Exception:** NO teams may use a full-court press if they are ahead of their opponent by 20+ points. After the first warning, the penalty for each violation of this rule will be a technical foul.

3. Bonus free throws are awarded on the seventh team foul; double bonus 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/Free throws:** Two points and the ball will be awarded to the opposing team (**do not** shoot free throws on technical fouls).

- **NEW!!** 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams will shoot free throws from 12 feet

7. **Timing Factors:**

A. **NEW!!** Boys and girls in all grades and divisions will play two 20-minute, running time halves. The last two minutes of each half will be stop-time.

B. If a team is ahead by 20 points or more during the last two minutes of the second half, the remainder of the game will be played under running time. Should the deficit be cut to 10 points or less, the game will resume to stop-time. After a timeout, the clock will start when the ball is touched by any player who is inbounds.

C. 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.

D. The first overtime period will be a two-minute, stop-time period. The second overtime period (if necessary) will be a continuous series of complete two-minute, stop-time periods until the tie is broken. Each team will be awarded one time out for each overtime period. There will be a 60-second intermission between periods. Each team will be awarded one time out for each overtime period. There is no carryover of time outs from regulation or overtime periods.

E. Halftime will be a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of five minutes

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 or during any dead ball situation.

9. **Bench Personnel:** Only 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 15 persons. No young children (non-players) will be allowed to sit on the bench.

10. **Equipment:**

- A. **NEW!!** Game balls for girls' and boys' 3rd – 4th grade divisions will be the women's sized (27.5) basketball.
- B. Game balls for boys' 5th-6th grade and girls' 5th grade and above grade will be the women's sized (28.5) basketball.
- C. Game balls for boys' 7th grade and above will be the men's regulation sized basketball.
- D. **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.
- E. **First Aid:** Each team is responsible for providing its own first-aid supplies, water bottles, tape, etc. A trainer will be on-site to provide general EMT service.



**PLAYER PARTICPATION RULE**



**NEW!!** The Player Participation Rule is not in effect for the tournament. Coaches may use any player rotation during the game. However, the coaches are encouraged to play all the rostered players on the team much as possible.





**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 REC STATE CHAMPIONS!**



<i>Boys Division</i>	<i>Team</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Coach</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade A	Jerry Gambles	Minneapolis	Jerome Williams
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade B	MHHA Warriors Red	Mendota Heights	Jared Shypulski
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade C	Elks	Elk River	Joshua Bantz
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Tonka United	Minnetonka	Robert Tyler
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade A/B	OMGBA	Maple Grove	Sean Miller
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Anoka Tornados	Anoka	Becky Carson
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade A/B	Jerry Gambles	Minneapolis	Robert Brown
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Jimmy Lee	St. Paul	Allan Lankford
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Elks	Elk River	Matt Stueber
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Farview	Minneapolis	Aron Griffin
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Chaska	Chaska	Antoine Destin
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Martin Luther King	Minneapolis	Jessye Lewis
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Wilder	St. Paul	Joshua Alexander
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Eden Prairie Eagles	Eden Prairie	Steve Rutledge
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> Grade A/B	Robbinsdale Gold	Robbinsdale	Wally Langfellow
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	MDB Orange	Bloomington	Alison Brandt
11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> Grade A	OMGBA	Maple Grove	Jesse Wahlstrom
11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Anoka War Eagles	Anoka	Pamela Marszalek
11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Muckdogs	Coon Rapids	Dennis Sovich
<i>Girls Division</i>	<i>Team</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Coach</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade B/C	Wayzata Warriors	Wayzata	Tracy Breen
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mendota Heights	Mendota Heights	Sarah Mackee
5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade B	Brooklyn Park Fierce	Brooklyn Park	Jason Stover
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Blue Fury	White Bear Lake	Trey Thompson
7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade C	Halbur	Minneapolis	Jim Halbur

MYAS 2019 REC STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

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Tournament schedules will be posted on the MYAS website at www.myas.org at least two weeks prior to the tournament. The tournament schedules will not be mailed! Please contact Kevin Wilson at 763-746-1712 or kevin@myas.org for more information.

Boys' and Girls' Tournament Dates: March 16-17, 2019 Entry Deadline: February 25, 2019 Entry Fee: \$225.00 (The MYAS uses a check verification and recovery service. If your check is returned, the maximum penalty will be assessed according to Minnesota state law.)

TEAM CLASSIFICATION (circle one): A (highest) B C Please rank the skill level of your team: 1 (weak) 2 3 4 5 (strong) GRADE (circle one): 3 4 5 6 7 8 9/10 11/12 GENDER (circle one): Boys Girls

TEAM INFORMATION

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_ Community/League \_\_\_\_\_
Head Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Assistant Coach \_\_\_\_\_
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_
City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_
Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_
Coach Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\* In signing, I verify that upon your acceptance of this entry, I, my heirs, executors and administrators, intending to be legally bound, waive and release any and all rights I may have against the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services, tournament officials and the Host Organization and their representatives from any and all injuries suffered by the coaches and/or players at the specified event.

League Director Signature\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* In signing, I verify that all the players on this team's online roster are eligible to compete in the 2018 Rec State Basketball Championship



## TEAM REGISTRATION / TOURNAMENT INFORMATION<sup>(9)</sup>

### CHECKLIST

Please use the following checklist to ensure that you have included everything that is required to complete your team's registration in the 2018 MYAS Rec State Basketball Championship.

- Completed team registration form – **must** be signed by League Director (see page 9)
- Completed, **printed** and signed online roster. Your online roster also serves as your Code of Conduct and **must** be signed by your coaches **and** a parent/guardian of all of your players.
- Entry Fee: \$225.00
- Entry deadline: February 25, 2019
- Mail team registration, roster and entry fee to: MYAS; Attn: Kevin Wilson; 1011 Osborne Road; Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

### Team Registration Points of Emphasis

- Coaches are **not** required to submit proof of grade documentation along with their team registration materials
- Teams are **not** required to submit proof of grade along with their other entry materials. Coaches **must** have grade (and age) verification for **all** rostered players available on-site at the Rec State Basketball Championship. If a player/team is protested, failure to produce proper documentation upon request may result in suspension of play and/or disqualification. The protesting team will be verified first **before** the team/player being protested is verified.
- NEW!! The Player Participation Rule is **not** in effect for the tournament. Coaches may use any player rotation during the game. However, the coaches are encouraged to play all the rostered players on the team much as possible