



Lewisboro Parks and Recreation

Youth Basketball Program 2016 - 2017

Grades 3 - 12



Fall 2016

Dear Parents and Players,

The Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce our youth basketball program, grades 3-12, for the 2016-2017 season. We use this format to improve the communication to the parents and players regarding the philosophy of the program, the differences in divisions and to outline the timetable of the program (registration, evaluations, practices, games, etc.).

In addition to the program information, parent and player code of conduct pledges have been included as part of the registration process. All completed registration forms must be returned with payment and signatures of the player and parents on the appropriate code of conduct pledges or they will be returned to you. It is the goal of the Parks and Recreation Department to continue to improve the overall quality of the program by instilling better sportsmanship on all levels (coaches, players and parents).

Registration for youth basketball grades 3-12 starts September 19th and ends on October 21st. Please see the Registration Information section in this packet for information on registering after October 21st. Should you have any questions concerning the information provided, please feel free to contact us at (914) 232-6162. Thank you.

Program Philosophy:

The intent of this program is to teach the game of basketball while developing skills, teamwork and fair play in a positive and relaxed environment. Learning, while having fun is a primary goal of this program.

Eligibility:

The Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department basketball program is for boys and girls in grades 3-12 who are Town of Lewisboro and/or Katonah-Lewisboro School District residents. We will include non-residents on a space availability basis and for an additional fee.

**** Please Note:** Children may play in both our league and other organized leagues except for Varsity interscholastic players. They are **not** eligible for the in-house youth basketball league.**

Fees:

- \$150.00 per person if registered on or before October 21st
- \$200.00 per person if registered after October 21st (space availability only)
- \$225.00 per person - non residents

All fees include a tee-shirt

Team Format:

Teams are formed from all of the individuals who are registered in the division. Teams will have a mix of players from various school areas. Please be advised that participants may have to travel outside of their local elementary school area for practice and/or games. **Rosters are final. No changes will be made after the team rosters are released.** Team rosters will be posted on our web page at www.lewisborogov.com under Parks and Recreation **tentatively** by Tuesday, November 22nd for the Juniors, Intermediates, Masters and Veterans divisions and by Friday, December 2nd for the Seniors division.

Player Evaluations:

In an effort to roster the teams evenly, each participant is required to attend a **mandatory** player evaluation. Although we set aside a large amount of time, players are able to leave after completing the evaluation, so parents should stay with their child. **Please do not drop off** your child and leave. If signing up on the day of evaluations, you may participate in evaluations on space availability only. The evaluation schedule is as follows:

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| 3 rd & 4 th Grade Girls | Tues. Oct. 18 | 6:00 – 6:45 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 5 th & 6 th Grade Girls | Tues. Oct. 18 | 6:45 – 7:30 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 6 th Grade Boys | Tues. Oct. 18 | 7:30 – 8:30 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 3 rd Grade Boys | Thurs. Oct. 20 | 6:00 – 6:45 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 4 th Grade Boys | Thurs. Oct. 20 | 6:45 – 7:45 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 5 th Grade Boys | Thurs. Oct. 20 | 7:45 – 8:45 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 7 th Grade Boys | Tues. Oct. 25 | 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 8 th Grade Boys | Tues. Oct. 25 | 7:00 – 8:00 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| 7 th & 8 th Grade Girls | Tues. Oct. 25 | 8:00 – 8:45 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |
| Make up for all grades: | Wed. Oct 26th | 6:00 – 8:00 PM | Meadow Pond E.S |

Practice Conflicts:

Players may submit **one** day of the week as a conflict day, which guarantees they will not have practice on that day. Be sure to fill in the conflict day in the appropriate spot on the registration form. Individuals with multiple conflict days should **not** register for this program.

Important Tentative Dates:

Registration begins.....Sept. 19th
Registration ends.....Oct. 21st
Evaluations..... see above

First Practice

- week of November 28th for Junior, Intermediate, Masters & Veterans
- week of Dec. 5th for Seniors

Games (tentatively).....Saturday,
Dec. 17th for all divisions

Junior Division:

(Grades 3&4)

Games will be played on the full court elementary gyms at Increase Miller and Meadow Pond on Saturday mornings and afternoons. Scores and standings will not be

kept. All players will receive participation awards.

Intermediate Division: (Grades 5&6)

Games will be played on the full court at Meadow Pond Elementary and/or the John Jay Middle School New Gym. Depending on the number of teams, games will be played on Saturdays and/or Sundays (all day) with a couple of early Friday nights possible. Each team may be scheduled for one or more games per weekend. League standings will be kept and awards will be presented to league and playoff champions.

Senior Division: (Grades 7&8)

In order to run, a minimum of four teams of eight is required. Games will be played at the John Jay Middle School and/or John Jay High School on Friday evenings, Saturdays and/or Sundays. Each team may be scheduled for one or more games per weekend. League standings are kept and awards will be presented to league and playoff champions.

The following codes of conduct have been adopted from the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) which the Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department uses in training coaches:

PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

- I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth sports experience and accept responsibility for my participation by following this Players' Code of Conduct Pledge.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I will attend every practice and game that I can, and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive a fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I understand that Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department has and enforces a Zero Tolerance Behavior Policy.
- I understand when a technical foul is called the referee or Parks and Recreation Department holds the right to eject me from the remainder of the game and I will have to leave the premises immediately.
- I deserve to have fun during my sports experience and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being fun!
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and expect adults to refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will encourage my parents to be involved with my team in some capacity because it's important to me.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

Player's Signature

PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT

- I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents' Code of Conduct Pledge.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I understand that Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department has and enforces a Zero Tolerance Behavior Policy.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth – not for adults.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectable fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Conduct.

Parent / Guardian Signature

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LEWISBORO YOUTH BASKETBALL PARENT'S AGREEMENT

I understand and accept that as the parent of a participant in the Lewisboro Youth Basketball League...

1. My child will attend one weekly scheduled practice;
2. My child may have to travel outside of our local elementary school area for practices or games;
3. My child will play on a team with a coach (either an adult or high school student) assigned by the Recreation Department;
4. My child may be assigned to a team with no close friends or acquaintances;
5. My child may relinquish guaranteed playing time if he/she is tardy for or absent from practices or games without properly notifying the team coach;
6. I am permitted to request **one** conflict day or time during the week which guarantees my child will not practice on that day, or time;
7. My child may be assigned to a practice time on a week day between 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM other than the conflict day I requested;
8. Teams will be formed from all of the individuals who are registered in the division.
9. Registration forms incomplete will be returned without being enrolled in the program and can result with being placed on a waitlist.

Parent / Guardian Signature

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| BASKETBALL REGISTRATION FORM | | | | | | | | | | (Please print and fill out completely) |
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| Parents/Guardian Name | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mailing Address | | | | | | | City | | Zip | |
| Telephone (Day) | | | (Evening) | | | Email | | | | |
| Emergency Name | | | | | | | Telephone | | | |
| Elementary School Area (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Miller <input type="checkbox"/> Meadow Pond <input type="checkbox"/> Katonah | | | | | | | | | | |
| Resident Status (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Lewisboro Resident <input type="checkbox"/> K/L School District Resident Only <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident | | | | | | | | | | |
| Did your child participate in a basketball program last year? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO What Program? _____ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Is your child anticipating or will be involved with another basketball program (ie Travel, CYO, Modified) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | | | | | | | | | | |
| Participant Name | | | | | | | | | | |
| Last | First | MI | Sex | Age | D.O.B. | Height | Division | Grade | Fee | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Form of Payment | | <input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK | | TOTAL FEES: _____ | | | | | | |
| Make checks or money orders payable to: | | | | Conflict Day (one only) _____ | | | | | | |
| Town of Lewisboro | | | | Conflict Time: _____ PM to _____ PM | | | | | | |
| By Mail: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Town of Lewisboro | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parks & Recreation Dept. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 99 Elmwood Rd. | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Salem, NY 10590 | | | | | | | | | | |
| NO REFUND POLICY | | | | | | | | | | |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>GENERAL RELEASE: The undersigned hereby releases the Town of Lewisboro, its Town Board, Parks & Recreation Department, employees Parks & Recreation Advisory Council and volunteers thereof, of any responsibility should an accident or injury occur to the afore mentioned program sponsored by the Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department.</p> <p>Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____</p> </div> | | | | | | | | | | |

REGISTRATION BEGINS SEPTEMBER 19th

Masters Division:

(Grades 9&10) - Boys

In order to run, a minimum of four teams of eight is required. Games will be played at the John Jay Middle School and/or John Jay High School on Friday evenings, Saturdays and/or Sundays. Each team may be scheduled for one or more games per weekend. League standings are kept and awards will be presented to league and playoff champions.

Veterans Division:

(Grades 11&12) - Boys

In order to run this division, a minimum of four teams of eight is required. Games will be played at the John Jay Middle School and/or John Jay High School on Friday evenings, Saturdays and/or Sundays. Each team may be scheduled for one or more games per weekend. League standings are kept and awards will be presented to league and playoff champions.

Coaches:

Are you interested in being a volunteer coach? Coaches from the 2015/2016 season will be contacted regarding their intent to return, however, the Recreation Department anticipates needing additional coaches in all divisions this season. Individuals who are selected to be a head coach will be permitted to select one assistant coach AFTER the team selection process is complete. Coaches must be available during the week between the hours of 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM to allow for a once a week hour long practice. If you are interested in being considered for a head coach position, please call the Recreation Office at 232-6162. All head coaches are selected by the Recreation Department.

Zero Tolerance Behavior Policy:

Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department will not tolerate any verbal or physical abuse from or towards players, coaches, officials, scorekeepers or any spectators. 1st offense will result in removal from game. 2nd offense will result in termination for the season for the offender. A copy of our full zero tolerance policy is available on our website.

Registration Information:

The completed registration form including the signed Parent's Agreement, the signed Players' Code of Conduct, and the signed Parents' Code of Conduct must all be returned along with payment to the Lewisboro Recreation Department, 99 Elmwood Road, South Salem, NY 10590.

Remember: Registrations must be received on or before Friday, October 21st to avoid being charged a late fee for registering after that date. Any player registering after October 21st (based on space availability) and before the draft of their respective division will be included in the draft and will pay a late fee. Anyone registering after the draft of their respective division will be accepted at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Department and NOT only will have to pay the late fee to play but also won't be placed on a team until after January 7th, 2017. A team will be assigned to the player at the sole discretion of the Recreation Department and conflict days will not be considered.

Program Note:

Participants in our in house basketball league cannot participate in any other interscholastic basketball league (Varsity Basketball teams).

We will have an email blast system available just for basketball participants at <http://www.lewisborogov.com/newsletter/subscriptions>. This will allow subscribers to know when rosters are posted, practices and games are cancelled, when picture day is and any other pertinent information in regards to basketball. Please sign up to receive these blasts.

People who are interested in participating in a high school team are encouraged to register for our program. Individuals who are selected for an interscholastic program will be given a full refund.

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Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Dept.
99 Elmwood Road
South Salem, NY 10590

Presorted Standard
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 9001
White Plains, NY

CURRENT RESIDENT OR

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