2024 Zion League Information

This packet contains the following:

1. TeamRoster/Consent Form (sign and return). ROSTERS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN SIGNED BY ALL PARENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. (We will not accept the roster if we know the coach has signed for everyone—it must have the signature of the parent/guardian—SIGNATURE IS NECESSARY SO WE KNOW YOUR PARENTS HAVE READ AND AGREE WITH THE PARAGRAPH AT THE TOP OF THE ROSTER.

2. League Rules (for team to keep)

The team roster and money must be turned in together no later than **Tuesday**, **November 28**, **2023**. You can turn in paperwork and money to the front office at Zion School between 7:45 AM - 3:30 PM Monday-Friday by **November 28 by 12:00pm**. If you have questions or need to make arrangements for other payment times, please call (918)-696-0423.

You must have at least 7 players to make a roster. Players added after the November 28th deadline will be required to pay an additional \$40 fee (for a total player fee of \$80). (After the first day of play, players can no longer be added). Please get your team together to begin with so we won't have the hassles and headaches of adding players. Once a player has been turned in and paid for on a team roster, they will not be able to change teams within that age division. A player can play in two different age divisions if they choose (can play up a division but not down). However, they will be responsible for the \$35 fee for each age division team and we will NOT guarantee that game times will not conflict. Zion League does not guarantee which gym teams will play in or whether equal number of games per team will be played in each gym.

Schedule pick up: Schedules will be available for pick up on Thursday, December 14th from 4:00pm-6:00pm in the gym at Zion School.

League dates: December 30, January 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th

Player Fees: \$35.00 per player; limit 10 players (must have at least 7 players to make a roster) and limit 2 coaches per team. **Zion League will NOT provide insurance for players or coaches.** Anyone can coach in the absence of the "designated coach" however, we will only provide a maximum of 2 coach's passes per team. Only 2 coaches will be allowed on the team bench.

League Divisions: 6 & under will be co-ed (boys & girls can play on the same team: we will only have one 6 & under division) 8 & under, 10 & under, and 12 & under will have a girl's division and a boy's division. There must be at least 4 teams in a division in order for that division to make. Sept. 1, 2023 is the age cutoff. Anyone 13 or older on or before Sept. 1st can't participate. The player's age on Sept. 1st determines their division.

Birth Certificates: You must have birth certificates at each game. We will not be checking birth certificates when you turn in the roster and money. If a player protest arises, your birth certificates will be checked. If you do not have the birth certificates at the game, your team will forfeit. If you are missing birth certificates for some of the players, those players will not be allowed to play.

Teams are responsible for providing their own uniforms. Uniforms can be actual jerseys or just t-shirts. All must be identical and have numbers on the back.

For more information contact: Chance Price (918)696-0423 (cell) Clayton Yeager (918)575-6092 (cell)

Zion Basketball League

December 30^{th} , January 6^{th} , 13^{th} , 20^{th} , and 27^{th} Sponsored by: Zion Athletics

<u>Birth Date Cut Off:</u> September 1st (players must be the age of the division or younger until September 1st- No Exceptions. Example: a player playing in the 12 & under division must be 12 years old or younger until September 1st. Anyone turning 13 on or before September 1st is too old to play.

<u>Fees:</u> \$40 per player. Players added after the Nov. 28th deadline must pay an additional \$40 for a total fee of \$80. If a player is playing in 2 different age divisions, they must pay the \$40 for each team.

<u>Rosters:</u> There is a minimum of 7 players on each roster with a maximum of 10 players. All fees and rosters must be turned in by Nov. 28th. No new players can be added after the first day of league play. Once a player has been turned in and paid for, they will not be able to change teams within that age division. If a player is playing 2 different age divisions, there is no guarantee that their game times won't conflict. No refunds for players who quit.

<u>Birth Certificates:</u> Birth certificates must be brought to each game. If a player protest arises, your birth certificates will be checked. If you don't have birth certificates, your team will forfeit. If you are missing certificates for players, those players will not be allowed to play.

<u>Game Dress Code:</u> Team uniforms must be worn (matching jerseys or matching team shirts with numbers on the back). Basketball shoes (or CLEAN non-marking tennis shoes) must be worn. NO STREET SHOES are allowed. Please don't wear basketball shoes outside. Change into them once you arrive at the gym.

Players in uniform and coaches with their coach passes will be admitted free. Everyone else will pay a \$2.00 admission fee.

<u>Games:</u> All games will consist of 4 quarters, 5 minutes per quarter. The clock will run continually until the last minute of each quarter. The clock will be stopped only for free-throws and time outs prior to the last minute of each quarter. Zion League doesn't guarantee which gym teams will play in or whether equal numbers of games per team will be played in each gym. We will not guarantee game times or that games will not conflict (i.e. if a player plays in two age divisions or if a coach is coaching more than one team).

Timeouts: Two timeouts the 1st half and 2 timeouts the 2nd half—do not accumulate.

<u>Playing Time</u>: 6 and 8 & under-Each player must play one full quarter in the 1st half and one full quarter in the 2nd half. There will be NO substitutions in the 1st or 3rd quarters. Exceptions to this rule are:

- 1. If a player becomes sick or injured during the game.
- 2. If a player gets 3 fouls in the 1st half, 4th foul in the 3rd quarter, or receives their 5th foul.

10 & 12 and under may sub freely throughout the game. It is up to the coach to make sure everyone has equal playing time. Players must be on the line-up and MUST arrive before the start of the 2nd quarter in order to play.

<u>Overtime</u>: Overtime periods will be set for 2 minutes. For every overtime, 1 timeout will be given. After 2 overtime periods a head-to-head free throw shoot off will be used to determine the winner.

- **6 & 8 and under-clock will run continually with the exception of free throw & timeouts
- **10 & 12 and under- the clock will stop with every dead ball

<u>Game time</u>: Players should be at the gym at least 15 minutes before game time so coaches can complete score sheet. Teams should be on the floor ready to play when the buzzer sounds for the game to begin.

Start of Game Free Throws and goal height:

- ** 6 and 8 & under—Each game will begin with each player shooting 1 free throw. These points will go to the total overall scores of the game. A team having fewer players than another will shoot an equal number of times by allowing shooters who missed to shoot again.
- 6 & under will shoot on an 8 1/2-foot goal and will shoot from the 2nd lane mark
- 8 & under will shoot on regular 10-foot goal & will shoot from the 2nd lane mark.
- **10 and 12 & under will shoot on regular 10-foot goal and will shoot from regulation free throw line while 10 & under will be allowed to cross the line on the shot (must start behind the line and cannot run in to get their own rebound until the ball hits the rim.) These age divisions will not have beginning of game free throws.

<u>Basketballs</u>: Basketballs will be provided for games and warm ups (2 balls for each team during warm up) All divisions will use a regulation women's basketball. Do NOT bring personal basketballs into the gym!!

<u>Warm Ups and Half time:</u> 5-minute warm-up time before the game and 5-minute half time.

Game Rules:

**6 and 8 & under—No full court press is allowed at any time. Fast breaks: if the ball is stolen near the half court line, fast breaks are allowed (this will be at the referee's discretion). At all other times, the referee will stop play and send all players to the other end of the court. All defensive players must have one foot in the 3 second lane until the offensive player brings the ball across half court.

**10 and 12 & under—Full court press and fast breaks allowed until a team has a 15-point lead. With a lead of 15 points, the 6/8 and under rules stated above apply.

<u>Fouls:</u> The 7th team foul per half will be the bonus foul (one and one shot). There will be no 2 shot foul bonus (except on shooting foul). A player who receives their 5th foul will be fouled out of the game.

<u>Technical Fouls/expulsions/forfeiture:</u> Technical fouls may be issued to any coach or player who commits an

unsportsmanlike foul. This includes but isn't limited to the following:

- **Disrespectfully addressing an official or attempting to influence an official
- **Using profane or inappropriate language or obscene gestures
- **Disrespectfully addressing or baiting an opponent
- **Enticing undesirable crowd reactions
- **Team members or coaches who do not remain seated on the bench unless spontaneously reacting to an outstanding play by a member of their team and immediately returning to their seats, or reporting to the scorer's table. Coaches may be off the bench in front of his/her seat within the coach's box to give directions to his/her players/substitutes

If a player receives a 2nd technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct, that player will be benched for the remainder of the game. If, on the bench, that player is not able to control his/her behavior, he/she will be asked to leave the gym and will be banned from the Zion Basketball League. If he/she doesn't leave immediately, their team will forfeit the game.

If at such time a fan behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner toward the referees, coaches, or players, the referee will ask the coach of the fan's team to speak with them. If another incident occurs with that particular fan, that person will be asked to leave the gym. If that person doesn't leave immediately, the game will be stopped and that team

will forfeit the game. Once a person is thrown out of the gym, they are banned from all future Zion League games.

<u>Awards:</u> Every participant will receive either a medal or trophy at the end of the season. We will NOT be keeping standing due to undesired behaviors in previous years. The purpose of this league is to teach kids basketball fundamentals and instill in them a love for the game. It also gives players the opportunity to get added play and practice time. This should be a time for coaches to teach their players. Score will be kept and there will be a winner for each game, there just won't be an overall league champion.

<u>Dressing Rooms</u>: No dressing rooms facilities are furnished to any team. The lobby restrooms are available for use. However, players should come dressed and ready to play.

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fit and capable of participating in the Zion Basketball League. I understand the inherent risks involved with my child's participation in this program and recognize that my child could of all responsibility and liability of any nature whatsoever as it concerns any/all injuries, sickness, or damages incurrred from participation. I further certify that my child is physically absolve, and agree and hold harmless Zion School, Zion Board Members, Zion Employees, league participants, referees, volunteers, and any other persons associated with the league be injured while participating. I also understand that Zion Basketball League will NOT provide medical insurance for participants, coaches, or spectators. In addition, I have read and * I as a parent or legal guardian of a minor player named below, assume all risks and hazards incidental to participation in the Zion Basketbail League and do hereby waive, release, understand this paragraph and the rules of the league and will be accountable for the conduct of myself and my child at all times during league play.

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