



2026 YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE SEASON TIMELINE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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- **Coaches Meeting** takes place on **Tuesday, November 25th** via Zoom (Zoom link sent out the week prior)
 - For coaches only. Coaches are given general info, go over league logistics, finalize practice day/time.
- **Clinics: Co-ed Divisions (1st/2nd through High School Divisions. Jr. YBL does NOT participate in clinics)**
 - 1st/2nd Grade: Last Name A through L – Dec. 8th, and 15th 6:15-7:15pm at Wallin Oaks Elementary
 - 1st/2nd Grade: Last Name M through Z - Dec. 10th 7:15-8:15, and 16th 7:15-8:15pm at Ira Jones Middle School
 - 3rd/4th Grade: Last Name A through L – Dec. 18th, and 15th 7:30-8:30pm at Wallin Oaks Elementary
 - 3rd/4th Grade: Last Name M through Z - Dec. 11th 7:15-8:15pm, and 17th 7:15-8:15pm at Ira Jones Middle School
 - 5th/6th Grade – Dec 12th 6:15-7:15pm at Wallin Oaks Elementary, and 18th 7-8pm at Ira Jones Middle School
 - 7th/8th & High School – Dec. 12th 7:30-8:30pm at Wallin Oaks Elementary and 18th 8:00-9:00pm at Ira Jones Middle School
- **Clinics: Girls Divisions (3rd/4th Gr. Girls and 5th/6th Gr. Girls)**
 - 3rd/4th Grade: Dec. 8th and 15th 7-8pm at Ira Jones Middle School
 - 5th/6th Grade: Dec. 8th and 15th 8-9pm at Ira Jones Middle School
- **Jr. YBL 4year-Kindergarten**
 - Team Emails sent out by December 1st
 - Jr. YBL will practice on December 6th, 13th, and January 3rd at the Avery YMCA
 - Jr. YBL games begin January 10th and go through end of February. 7 game season.
- **1st/2nd Gr. Through High School Divisions: Teams Emails Sent out by December 29th**
 - Rosters, practice time, days, and locations are set.
 - Rosters are then emailed out to parents and coaches through Team Sideline with coach's contact info, team number, team roster, rules, practice day/time/location.
 - The first practice with your team is the week of **January 5th**.
 - Teams cannot be finalized until registration is closed.
- **Team Sideline: www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca**
 - Game Schedule posted on www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca and on each team's individual Team Site by **January 9th**. Games begin week of **January 12th**.
 - 7 Game season. 5th/6th, 7th/8th, and High School divisions will participate in end of season tournament with our Joliet and Morris YMCA teams.
 - Coaches and parents will be notified of cancellations, changes, and all important info by emails and text messages from www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca. This will also be posted on www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca. **All parents, head to www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca and login to activate your account ONCE YOU RECEIVE YOUR TEAM EMAIL.**
- **Picture Day: Sunday, January 25th at the C.W. Avery Family YMCA in the Multi Purpose Rooms**
 - **Picture Day Schedule posted by January 9th**. The picture day schedule and picture day code is posted on www.teamsideline.com/jolietymca and emailed to all parents. To order pictures, head to www.pmipphoto.com.
- **Jerseys will arrive the week before the first game or be given to your player immediately before their first game.**
 - Jerseys are ordered by Dec. 12th. Late signups will be ordered all together by January 9th.
 - Jerseys are given to coaches to give out at practice. Jerseys are planned to be given to coaches/teams at practice before first game, or immediately before first game on their first game day.
- **Make Up Games**
 - If we have any snow days or cancellations, we will make up games the week after the regular season ends.
 - We do our best to make up games but cannot guarantee all cancelled games will be made up. Cancelled practices are not guaranteed to be made up.
- **Tournament Dates: 5th/6th, 7th/8th and High school Divisions Only (Coed and girls divisions)**
 - **Week of March 2nd (Monday through Sunday)** ***If we have any snow days or cancellations the week of March 2nd will be utilized for make-up games, and tournament will be moved to the week of 9th. ***
 - Tournament is single elimination. Times, grade level dates, and locations to be decided at end of regular season
- **Medals**
 - Medals will be given to coaches at last practice to hand out at their last game.

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