

YMCA Basketball FAQ's

1. When is basketball registration?

Basketball registration for Winter 20-21 will run September 27-October 31, with late registration running from November 1-6 with an additional charge.

2. What does my registration pay for?

A basketball jersey and an end-of-the-season medal are both included in your registration cost.

3. How are the age groups divided?

Age cut-off date: October 1st.

Little Dribblers: 3-4 year olds

6U: 5-6 year olds

8U: 7-8 year olds

10U: 9-10 year olds

12U: 11-12 year olds

Players are permitted to play in an age group above their own age if they would like more of a challenge for the season. Players cannot move down to a younger age group.

4. What does my player need to wear/bring for practices and games?

Players need to wear athletic clothing for both practices and games. Players are responsible for purchasing their own shorts, socks and shoes for the season. If players own a basketball ball, they are welcome to bring it to the Y, but please write the player's name on the ball. Teams will wear black shorts for games.

5. How long is the season?

The Winter 20-21 season will begin with practices the week of November 8th. Games will begin the week of December 4th. Regularly scheduled games will end by mid February. Practices over Winter Break will be optional.

6. Where are the games?

Home games will be played here at the Brad Akins YMCA gym. Matchups for away games will be played at surrounding gyms in Barrow and Clarke counties.

7. Can I request a coach and/or another player to be on my team?

There is a space available on the basketball registration form to request a certain coach for players in Little Dribblers and 6U ONLY. Players 8U and up will be subject to a player draft to decide teams. No practice day/time requests will be accepted.

8. How does the player draft work?

Players should come to their age group player evaluations ready to play! Coaches will guide and watch players scrimmage. The players will play for up to one hour. Following this, players and parents will leave, while coaches will meet to draft teams. Parents will be contacted by their coach the week following the evaluations and draft. No players will be cut from the league. Absent players will still be drafted to a team.

8. When are practices and games?

Practice days are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Little Dribblers, 6U and 8U practice one day a week. 10U and 12U practice twice a week. Teams can determine on an individual basis if they would like to practice more than their allotted time. Game days are typically Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

9. Can I request a specific practice day and time?

No requests will be accepted.

10. What is the refund policy?

To view our refund policy, please see the YMCA Participant Waiver form attached to the registration form.

11. What is the weather policy?

Brad Akins YMCA sports will comply with Barrow County Schools' weather policy for after school events in most cases when inclement weather is a possibility.

12. How can I stay up to date on YMCA happenings?

Like us on Facebook at YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont and follow us on Instagram at BradAkinsYMCA.

Have a YMCA sports question? Email Rebekah:

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