

Tuesday, April 01, 2008

Dear League Coaches,

Thank you for joining our 2008 AAU NW Sports Boys Basketball Spring League. We are expecting to have a great season. If any games are cancelled because of school closures due to weather or anything beyond our control we will not be able to make up the game.

The schedule and directions to facilities are on our web site at www.pnaau.org. As long as coaches reports scores we will have the standings posted at the same web site. The winning team is responsible to email the scores to us at nwsports@gte.net by Monday evening so we can post them. Please include your division in the email.

Please check the schedule carefully. We tried to schedule your games as close to home as possible but this is not a YMCA league and you will need to do some traveling. Due to the needs of some teams you could have 3 games in one weekend and only 1 in another.

This is an AAU league and all players and coaches must be current members. Contact the AAU office at P.O. Box 33305, Seattle, WA 98133 for any cards you need. Cards and clubs can be purchased on the Internet. Go to the web site at www.aausports.org and click JOIN NOW.

After your first week you will need permission from the league director, Mike Connors, to add a player to your roster.

No player can play without being on the roster that has been turned in to the league office. A player is committed for the entire league to the first team they play for in a game. No exceptions to this rule. A player may play on more that one team but only one team in the same division. As an example, he may only play on one 5th grade team. Also, if he is on two teams they must be in the same club. Should they play on a second team in the same division all games they participated in will be forfeited. It is the responsibility of the team to notify the league director at once if they are told, find out, or suspect that they have a player that is playing on two teams in one division. You must stop playing the player immediately. If you don't stop without delay the coach will not be able to coach in a NW Sports AAU event for one year.

If you forfeit a game it will be up to your opponent which one of your future games they will play to make it up. If you forfeit a second game, without giving notice, you will be suspended from playing in any AAU NW Sports leagues or tournaments for one year. It is the responsibility of the team that did not get a game to notify the office which game they wish to play.

The LEAGUE TOURNAMENT is open to all teams that play in the league. Due to events in the last couple leagues, if you have not won at least 3 games you will need to email nwsports@gte.net by April 30th letting us know that you will participate. Otherwise we will make the schedule without you and we will not be able to add your team.

The League will play using High School Federation rules with the following exceptions:

1. Game time will consist of:
2 – 20 minutes halves, running clock
The clock will be stopped in the last 2 minutes of each half, unless one team is leading by more than 20 points.
2. All technicals are automatic 2 points and the ball.
3. All intentional fouls, no matter where they happen, will be automatic 2 points.
4. Two technical fouls per person and you are out of the gym for the remainder of the day. If this happens twice in one season the individual will be suspended from this league.
5. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their fans and players.
6. The women's ball will be used for the 4th, 5th & 6th grades.
7. Three time outs per game.
8. There are no zone defenses in the 4th grade division.
9. Protests: If someone wants to protest a game they must write it in the official scorebook at the time of the incident and must file a written report with the gym manager within one hour of the end of the game. As soon as possible they must notify the office at nwsports@gte.net. There is a \$100 charge to file a protest. You will get it back only if it is upheld.
10. Overtimes: 1st overtime – 2 minutes, 2nd Overtime – 1 minute, 3rd overtime – sudden death.

Sincerely,

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