

Recreation Basketball Skill Sessions 2023



Saturday, October 14, 2023

<u>LEAGUE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
5 th -6 th Boys	9:00-10:00am	Sullivan
3 rd -5 th Girls	11:00-12:00pm	Sullivan
3 rd -4 th Grade Boys	1:00-2:00pm	Sullivan
6 th -8 th Girls	12:00-1:00pm	Remington
7 th -8 th Boys	11:00-12:00pm	Remington

THERE WILL BE NO MAKE UP DATES ON SUNDAY. WE HAVE WORKED WITH FOOTBALL & SOCCER PROGRAMS TO AVOID CONFLICTS WITH PRACTICES AND GAMES.

NO SKILL SESSIONS FOR KINDERGARTEN, FIRST AND SECOND GRADE

Good Afternoon,

The Recreation Basketball League has been running skill sessions for over 30 years in an attempt to collect player's skill information so that teams can be formed evenly. The process takes place over a 1-2 hour period on Saturday, this year October 14. Once all the players start arriving at their designated time, coaches will immediately check them in and obtain height information. Several coaches will divide up responsibilities for skill evaluation (dribbling, shooting, passing, etc). Typically, 3 or more coaches will evaluate the players as they perform each skill and give them a rating of 1-5. At the conclusion of the skill sessions, the data is turned over to the Recreation Department and we quickly enter this into a spreadsheet and sort descending. The data is kept confidential amongst the coaches. This process ensures that all teams have an even number of beginners, intermediate, and advanced players. At the player draft, each coach is guaranteed a draft sheet which will contain all the player's names, heights, skill rating in each category and a total rating sorted. If you have any questions about this process, please do not hesitate to contact Ryan Jette, Director of Recreation. This process is the fairest, most consistent approach to making sure teams are not "stacked." There are instances that a player does not attend skill sessions due to outside commitments. But, we can only rate the players that attend. In most cases, the coaches in the league try to assign a rating to those absent players.

Players in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are assigned to teams according to requests made at the time of registration and the school they attend. **We do not have a skill session for K-2nd graders.**

I hope you can all attend the skill session on Saturday. If not, please give our office a call and provide your assessment of your child's skill ability to help out the draft process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ryan Jette", with a stylized, flowing script.

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