

St Ann's Basketball League

2018-2019

St Ann's Parish Basketball League Mission Statement:

The primary goal of the St Ann's Parish Basketball League is to provide a positive, safe environment, for all the student athletes to compete and grow as basketball players and respectful young persons in the image of Christ. The League will also promote good sportsmanship and team play. This is a developmental based league for players, coaches, and officials. League personnel, coaches, and parents must work together to ensure an enjoyable atmosphere for these athletes. We, at St Ann's, also ask that all athletes, coaches, and parents abide by the rules set forth by the league.

League Divisions:

Varsity	6 th / 7 th / 8 th Grade Boys	6 th / 7 th / 8 th Grade Girls
Junior Varsity	4 th / 5 th / 6 th Grade Boys	4 th / 5 th / 6 th Grade Girls

League Administration

- Commissioner Fr. Elio P. Sosa
- Deputy Commissioner(s) Peter John / Patti Deer
- Treasurer St. Ann Rectory
- Officials Assigner Nick Casceillo
- Board of Directors Michael Britt

Commissioner

- Acts as Chief Officer and will be responsible for enforcing the by-laws, rules, and regulations of the league.

Deputy Commissioner(s)

- Responsible for correspondence; reporting scores, and any other information the teams may need to know. Day to day operation of the league.

Officials Assigner

- Responsible for coordinating game officials who have minimally passed the written IAABO exam

Treasurer

- Responsible for the collection of the league fees and financial books of the league.

Board of Directors

- Consists of the Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner(s), Treasures, and external Board members.
- Responsibilities for the Board include, but are not limited to, the operation of the league.
- If a member of the Board represents a team that is involved in an infraction in front of the Board, the Board member may be excused from the Board until the issue has been resolved.

Fees

- The Commissioner will determine the league fee, which will be used to pay the general operating expenses of the league. This fee will be due at the pre-season filing deadline. If the fee is not paid, the team will not be allowed to participate in the league.

The league fees for the 2018-2019 Season will be:

Registration:

Received by September 24 th 2018	\$550 from the school
Received between September 25 th 2018 and September 28 th 2018	\$550 and required a \$25 per team late fee

Game Admission Fees 2018-2019

- Individual Game Admission:
- \$3.00
- Season Pass Fees:
 - Adult: \$30.00
 - Student: \$20.00

Season passes are NOT transferrable between family members. Season passes are for regular season games only. **Season passes are not valid for play-off games.**

Filing of Roster and League Fees

Prior to the start of league play, the Administration will hold a Pre-Season Filing Period. The date, time and location will be announced by the League Commissioner. At this time, all Varsity and Junior Varsity teams are required to file their rosters and pay their league fees. All information on these rosters must be complete or they will not be accepted.

The following items must be filed with the league administration by the Pre-Season Filing Date:

1. **TEAM ROSTER.** A team roster must be filed with the league administration. There is no person limit on the number of players that may be on the roster. The roster must include the name of each player, mailing address, parish, date of birth, age, grade, and school. The roster must have all pertinent signatures (School Principal or Parish Administrator) where applicable. Any roster that does not have all of this information completed will be considered incomplete and not recognized by the league.
2. **LEAGUE FEES.** All league fees must be paid by the Pre-Season Filing Date. Please check the above fee schedule to determine the amount of your team's league fees. **All checks should be made payable to: St. Ann's Church.**
3. Only players and coaches of the team what is playing is allowed to be on the bench, if the player(s) is injured, the player(s) can be on the bench with their uniform top on only, and it is the coach to informed the other coach that they have injured player(s) on the bench.

Basketball Team Eligibility Rules

Members of all Catholic elementary school basketball teams:

- Must be a full time student in a Catholic School
- Must not have completed eight (8th) grade (6th Grade limit for JV)
- Must be under fifteen (15) years of age before September 1st of the school year.
- No player is allowed to be on two rosters.
- Player transfers are allowed at Board's discretion.

- Use of a non-rostered player is not allowed. Using a non-rostered player will result in the offending team forfeiting the game.

League Play

IAABO-NFHS rules govern all games.

The following exceptions apply:

No Running Up Scores

Children have more fun when the score is close. There is NO place in the St. Ann Parish Basketball League to humiliate an opponent. When ahead with a large lead, coaches are expected to not trap at half court, play defense no farther than the top of the key, play all non-starters extensively, and not fast break slowing the tempo of the game. Coaches who run up the score will face disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion from the league.

Supervision

The responsibility of coaching includes supervision of the team before and after games. The place of the coach after an emotional contest is with the team; assistants can look after the equipment and bench area.

Principals and school Athletic Directors will be expected to assume the responsibility of dealing with any problems that may arise with the spectators from their respective teams. Principals and Athletic Directors cannot consider themselves fans cheering for their school team. They are officials representing their schools.

Game Times

Varsity	6 minute quarters	2 minute OT
Junior Varsity	6 minute quarters	2 minute OT

Foul Shots

JV: Players will be allowed natural momentum beyond the foul line after the release of the ball. Game officials will enforce this at their discretion.

Pressing

Varsity: Full court pressing will be allowed the entire game. Once the team establishes a 15 point lead, they will not be allowed to press.

JV: Full court pressing is only allowed in the last 2 minutes of the 2nd and 4th periods and overtime periods. Once the team establishes a 10 point lead, they will not be allowed to press.

Time outs

- Each team will be allowed 4 time outs (45 seconds only) for the entire game
- Overtime time period – Each team will be allowed 1 full time (60 second) time out. Time outs not used during regulation time will **not** be carried over to the over time period.

Coaching

- Only the designated Head Coach is allowed to stand and to call time outs
- Each team is only allowed **3 coaches** on the bench
- No coach may coach alone.

Uniforms:

Each team must be equipped with numbered uniforms. Numbers must appear at least on the back of the jersey, if not both sides.

If both teams have the same colored uniforms, the visiting team will wear pinnies provided by the league.

Once the season has started, if a player needs to change his/her uniform number , the league must be notified of the change.

Insurance: Each school is responsible for the insurance of it's teams.

Basketball Season:

The 2018-2019 St Ann's Basketball season will commence on Saturday October 20th 2018 through March 2019. Snow days/ playoffs will be included on these dates

Scorekeeper/Timer:

The scorekeeper and timer will be provided by the league. All scorekeepers and timers are considered game officials and must understand the rules, the scorebook, the operation of the scoreboard, and the proper keeping of the time.

Daily Game Roster

Daily Game Roster form has to be given to the scorer's table by 5 minutes before your game starts, please do not give the League scorekeepers the scorer's book.

Ball Size

Varsity

Boys: 29.0

Girls: 28.5

JV

Boys: 28.5

Girls: 28.5

Forfeits

- A 10 minute allowance will be granted beyond the scheduled start time. If a team can not field a team within the allowance period, then a forfeit will be declared.
- Two (2) forfeits are allowed during the season. If a team forfeits a third game, the team will be responsible for reimbursing the league for official's fees.
- **League Championship:**

At the completion of the regular league schedule, the teams with the best won/lost records will be declared Varsity and Junior Varsity regular season champions.

Playoff Schedule:

The Varsity and Junior Varsity teams in the first through ____*____ places, determined by the best won/lost record will play in the League Championship Tournament. If at the

end of regular season play, there are one or more teams with identical records, the following system will be used to determine placement:

- (1) Head to Head competition during regular season play
- (2) Coin toss – for a two team tie.
- (3) Pull Names/Hat – for a tie with 3 or more teams.

Officials

The Officials Assigner in conjunction with the League Commissioner will be responsible for obtaining game officials. All officials must obtain a minimum of passing the entrance exam given by IAABO. The Board of Directors reserves the right to grant exceptions. The League Commissioner will attempt, through the help of the Officials Assigner, to assign the entire season before the season begins. Any questions regarding officials should be directed to the Commissioner.

Responsibility of Officials

The prime responsibility of the officials is to enforce the rules prescribed by the IAABO-NFHS, with the exceptions put forth in the league by-laws. Every attempt is made to officiate to the level of play to ensure a positive basketball experience. Expulsion of players, coaches and spectators within the purview of the Officials.

Game Cancellation:

The cancellation of any games due to weather or other conditions can only be done by the League Commissioner or a deputy designated by the Commissioner. Notice of cancellations due to weather will be put on the St Ann's Basketball League website or by calls to the team coaches.

If a game is cancelled due weather or other conditions, the teams will be notified of the make-up game/date in a reasonable time frame.

Miscellaneous

- St Ann's League will provide balls for warm ups and games. Please do not bring your own balls.
- Each team should supply their own first aid kit
- Any rule not explicit, nor found in the adjoined text will be under the direction of the Board of Directors.

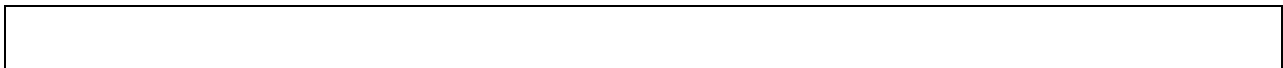
- The League will not be responsible for the “**3 minute rule**” the coach of the team to be responsible for all their players to play the game.

Parish Center Rules

- Only sneakers or rubber soled shoes are allowed on the gym floor.
- No players are allowed to wear jewelry of any kind. If a player can not remove the jewelry, the player will not be able to play.
- Players are only allowed to bring water or sports drink bottles to their bench. **NO SODA!**
- Restrooms are located up the ramp, in the rear part of the center. We ask that everyone respect our facilities and not allow children to roam the Center unsupervised. To access the restrooms, follow the arrow(s).
- At the conclusion of each game, each team is responsible for cleaning their bench area.
- At no time are spectators allowed on the court.

Player/Coach/Fan Conduct Policy

- Foul language or harassment of any kind towards players, officials, league volunteers, other fans or the director will not be tolerated at any time. All coaches are responsible for the conduct of their team and fans throughout the game. Fans will be removed from the gym if they are not in compliance with this rule. The Board of Directors reserves the right to expand the removal up to and including the expulsion from the league.
- Athletes and coaches must conduct themselves in an orderly and sportsmanlike manner. To avoid confrontation with game officials, please present any issues to the league director during, or immediately after, the game.
- If a technical foul is assessed to either a Head coach or Assistant coach, then both coaches lose the ability to walk along the sideline. Both coaches must be seated the remainder of the game (National High School Federation Rule).
- If either the Head Coach or Assistant Coach is ejected from a game, a minimum of a 1 game suspension will be enforced in the next game. The offending coaches school principal or parish administrator will get a written notification. If warranted, The Board of Directors reserves the right to expand the suspension up to and including league expulsion.
- Player ejection for a flagrant foul will receive a minimum of a 1 game suspension to be enforced for the next game. The offending player’s school principal or parish administrator will receive written notification. If warranted, the Board of Directors reserves the right to expand the suspension up to and including league expulsion.



Please remember that the young people that are playing in the league look to all of you as role models. Please be respectful of one another, the other player's and the referee(s).