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Millburn Recreation Winter Basketball FAQ **Updated November 19, 2020**

This document provides general information regarding the Recreation In-Town and Travel Basketball programs for Winter 2020-2021. This document will be updated as more information becomes available – updates from previous FAQ are in **yellow**. If you have specific questions that are not addressed below, please contact recreationdept@millburntwp.org.

Will there be in-town recreation basketball this winter and when will it start?

Yes, we plan on starting **practices in mid-January with games starting at the end of January.**

Will there be travel basketball teams for 5th-8th graders?

Yes, we will hold tryouts for those ONLY interested in travel. Depending on your grade level, the tryout will be outdoors on Monday November 9 or Tuesday November 10. During your CommunityPass registration there will be an ADDITIONAL registration for those interested in trying out for travel. You must sign up for the regular registration AND the travel tryout registration in order to be eligible for a tryout. **Weather pending, travel basketball practices will continue to be outside until gym space becomes available mid-January.**

Will there still be a mandatory skills evaluation for all 4th-8th graders?

Unfortunately we will not be able to hold full league skill evaluations for players. We are asking all coaches from last season to complete and submit their team evaluations from last year to assist our staff in selecting in-town teams.

When will my child practice and play games?

Same as always, your child's volunteer coach will decide on their team's practice. Practices for teams may be limited depending on availability of gym space. We hope to keep in-town games only on Friday evenings and Saturdays, but parents should be prepared for the possibility of weeknight games or **Sunday games** if gym space is limited.

Will spectators be allowed to attend practices/games?

Per Executive Order **No. 196**, we are limited to no more than **10** in a gym at a given time. This includes players, coaches, referees, and staff. **We are permitted to exceed 10 for players, coaches, staff only.** Therefore spectators will NOT be permitted to attend practices and games. We are looking into the possibility of live-streaming or recording games and will keep parents updated as we develop that plan.

I would like to coach my son/daughter's team. How do I do that?

When you register your child for basketball, you can also register yourself as a volunteer coach by selecting your name on the initial registration screen. Coaches may request to be one (1) other coach, but your co-coach must also be registered in order to be considered. We have a strict limit of two (2) coaches per team. The Recreation Department will approve all coach pairings. We can only accept a certain amount of coaches for each league depending on the final number of teams. Coaches will be accepted on a first-come first-serve basis – no exceptions. **Most coaching slots have been filled. For those who are on the "wait-list", we will contact you if a spot to coach becomes available.**

What will be the requirements for Face Coverings?

All players, coaches, staff, and other personnel permitted in the gyms will be required to wear face coverings at all times. Players have the option of removing their face covering while playing in a game on the court, but must put their face covering on all other times (at arrival, in bench area, during timeouts, between periods, after practices/games, etc).

What measures will be taken to check for signs and symptoms of COVID-19?

The Millburn Recreation Department will follow the Guidelines for Sports Activities provided by the NJ State Health Department and other recommendations from the CDC. An online questionnaire must be filled out by parents/guardians prior to each game/practice. The email confirmation you receive must be printed out and given to the player's coach or shown on a mobile device upon arrival at EVERY practice and game.