

The Community House

Jodie Harrison Basketball League

Dear Jodie Harrison Basketball Families,

Welcome to the Jodie Harrison Basketball League! The Jodie Harrison Basketball League is named in memory of Jodie Harrison, a longtime coach and Athletic Director at Hinsdale Central High School whose life was tragically cut short by in an accident involving an intoxicated driver. The league focuses on Coach Harrison's teachings of mastering the fundamentals basketball and enjoying the game. The league philosophy focuses on participation, sportsmanship, learning the fundamentals of the game and creating an atmosphere for all players to succeed. This is not a traveling or ultra-competitive league.

The purpose of The Community House youth basketball program is to provide young players with an opportunity to participate in athletics in a fun and educational environment. We believe balanced athletic competition in a team environment promotes sportsmanship, cooperation, leadership skills, and the benefits of exercise and hard work.

In this League Manual you will find all the information you need to know to get your child ready for the Basketball Season! Look over our table of contents page to help to direct you to the right page for the information you are seeking.

Thank you for registering and being a part of the league this season. We are looking forward to another great season of Jodie Harrison Basketball!

Sincerely,

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League Structure

Games

- 7 Games Per Team (7th game includes playoffs for 4th-8th grade)
- January 20th – March 17th
- 1 Game per weekend and 1 practice per week

All teams are guaranteed 7 games and schedules will be posted to QuickScores. All games are played at The Community House or surround District 181 Schools. Each team is scheduled one game per weekend and 1 practice per week (unless accommodation has been made).

Games can be played at any point during the season and game times listed below are **TENTATIVE** and **subject to change**.

2nd boys- Saturdays, 9:00am-1pm

4th girls- Sundays, 11:00am-3:00pm

2nd girls- Saturdays, 12:00-2:00pm

5th/6th boys- Sundays, 11:00am-6:00pm

3rd boys- Saturdays, 9:00am-4:00pm

5th/6th girls- Sundays, 11:00am-2:00pm

3rd girls- Saturdays, 1:00-4:00pm

7th/8th boys- Sundays, 11:00am-2:00pm

4th boys- Saturdays, 9:00am-4:00pm

7th/8th girls- Sundays, 1:00-4:00pm

For more information on game format see Rules on page 10

Playoffs

4th-8th grade divisions take part in playoffs. The number of teams who can make playoffs depends on the number of teams in each division and the space capacity we receive from D181 schools.

Do not go off of the QuickScores end of the season team seeding. While Quickscores is a great resource for scores and win/loss records this website does not take into consideration **that not all teams will have the opportunity to play one another**.

Our Basketball League bases playoff seeding based on the end of the regular season Win/Loss records and tiebreakers are below.

Playoff Tiebreakers

2 Teams:

1. Overall record
2. Head-to-head matchup
3. Overall points **against** for season
4. Coin Flip

3 or more Teams:

1. Overall Record
2. Head-to-Head match up- if each team with the same recorded has played each other in the tie an equal number of times (if one wins out, the remaining two teams revert to 2 team tie breaker rules)

This only applies if all teams tied have played each other an equal number of times

3. Overall Points **against** for season
4. Coin flip

Practices

- Practices begin the week of January 4th
- Practice time and day is based on coach availability
- 1 practice per week
 - 2 weeks of practices before games start

All practice schedules will be posted to the QuickScores and The Community House website. The practice times and days are determined based on coach availability. Teams are assigned one practice time per week and all practices will take place in The Community House Gym or surround District 181 Schools.

We do not know practice days and times before creating rosters.

2024 Jodie Harrison Basketball League Important Dates

Dates/Times subject to change

Dec 5	Coaches Meeting at 6:30pm at The Community House
Dec 15	Rosters, games and practice schedules posted online by 8pm
Dec 20	Last Day for full refund (50% processing fee applied)
Dec 27	Last Day for Refund
Jan 8	First week of practices
Jan 20/21	First weekend of games– jerseys available before first game
March 16/17	Final weekend of games– playoffs and medals handed out

Jerseys/Uniforms

All athletes will receive a jersey to wear on game days. Jerseys will be available the first week of games. No jewelry should be worn, shirts tucked in, and no sleeveless shirts.

Basketball Size/ Hoop Height

For this league, basketball sizes and hoop height are very for the different age divisions. Please see the rules for more information on page 10.

2nd Grade boys and girls- 8ft / Junior (27.5)
3rd Grade boys and girls- 9ft / Junior (27.5)
4th Grade boys - 10ft / Intermediate (28.5)
4th Grade boys - 9ft / Junior (27.5)
5th/6th Grade boys and girls- 10ft / Intermediate (28.5)
7th Grade girls- 10ft / Intermediate (28.5)
7th Grade boys- 10ft / Regulation (29.5)

League Communications

Email

99% of all league communications will be via email. Please make sure that on your child's Community House account they have the most accurate and updated email address. Email addresses are pulled from the email listed on the child's account.

Coaches

The coaches have a list of all the players and their e-mails. They will be your source of contact for your team. In the event of schedule changes, they will also send out notifications (in addition to the one from The Community House).

League Websites

The QuickScores and The Community House websites will have import information, schedule changes, rosters, etc. Below are the links to both websites. *Coaches, players, and parents are encouraged to view the website on a regular basis. Information will be posted as it becomes available throughout the season.*

The Community House Website

The Community House website is the general website on where to find all the league information you may need. The Community House website will be updated with important league announcements, schedule changes, important league information, instructions and links on how to navigate QuickScores.

www.thecommunityhouse.org/jodieharrisonjunior

QuickScores Website

The QuickScores website will be your website to access team schedules, rosters, coaches, and other league announcements that are posted to the home page

www.quickscores.com/thecommunityhouse

Team Formation

While we encourage a competitive spirit in all players and coaches, all league decisions are made with the best interest of the **majority of children involved**. We know we cannot place each child with their best friend, so we do not accept team placement requests. We do make every attempt to place children on a team with at least some of their schoolmates. We guarantee each child will have some children from their school and all coaches will have some children from their child's school.

Teams will be constructed using the following criteria:

- 10 player max per roster
- What school they attend
- Number of years playing basketball
- Travel basketball players
- Grade level
- 4th-8th grade Evaluations – see page 8 for more information

The Recreation Supervisor will be responsible for selecting all teams and all final team placement decisions.

How We Don't Place Teams

We do not look at who the kids played with last year and re-create teams. We do not honor lists given to us by coaches. Unfortunately, we are not always able to accommodate requests for specific coaches or exactly what kids are placed together. We do not know who best friends is. We do not know what families' mortal enemies are. We do not intentionally stack teams. We do not create teams of more than 10 or 13 players. We really do want every player to have a fun season.

Frequently Asked Questions

What If I Don't Like My Team?

We are genuinely sorry to hear that. We strive for each individual player to enjoy the season. Contact us and we can walk through your options. Switching teams is not typically possible. Once teams are placed, we rarely make changes. Remember, we are unable to create teams of more than 10.

What If I Can't Make Team Practices?

If you are unable to make practice time, let us know and we will attempt to move you to a team that practices on a different day but remember, we are unable to create teams of more than 10.

How do I cancel my registration or receive a refund?

We are sorry to see you go! You can contact the Recreation Supervisor and we will walk through your options.

If you are asking for a refund before the refund deadline you can receive your refund either as an in-house credit with a \$5 processing fee or you can receive it back to the credit card used during registration with a \$10 processing fee.

Can I make a team or coach request?

Our league has 800+ kids all wanting to be on a certain team, with a certain friend, or have a certain coach. To be fair to all kids involved, we *do not guarantee any team placement requests*.

What we do guarantee about teams is Coaches will always have their children on their team and kids will have others from the school that they attend.

Coaching Information

Interested in coaching? Volunteer coaches are needed! You can email jqvarino@thecommunityhouse.org to express your interest.

We have a 3-coach max per team.

Key Responsibilities

- Ensures each child gets the same amount of playing time
- Running practices and coaching games
- Relaying important league information to your team
- Pick up and distribute team jerseys and medals
- Making sure everyone has a fun filled season ☺

League Philosophy

The league philosophy focuses on participation, sportsmanship, learning the fundamentals of the game and creating an atmosphere for all players to succeed. This is not a traveling or ultra-competitive league. Players, coaches, parents, officials and staff are expected to continually reinforce the attributes of sportsmanship, hard work, and positive thinking during the season.

Coaches or parents who do not act in accordance to this league philosophy will be asked not to participate.

Player Evaluations (4th-8th Grade Players)

4th-8th graders are **REQUIRED** to fill out the player evaluation sent out on **Monday, December 4th** to help in the fair distribution of teams. We base it on a scale from 1-3. 1

being very good and in the top 15% of the kids in the league, 2 being somewhere in the middle and average with the sport, and 3 being in the bottom 15% of the league.

Be a SUPERHERO-Sponsor a Team!

We are excited to offer opportunities for corporate sponsorship of teams, divisions and special events for the Jodie Harrison Basketball League. **Fees charged for programs and services at The Community House cover roughly 50% of the operating budget.** The remainder comes from generous individuals, corporations and foundation grants. This support helps cover things like equipment, uniforms, scholarships for those who couldn't afford programs or services, education programs for low-income families and more!

For more information on sponsoring a team contact Dan Janowick at djanowick@thecommunityhouse.org

Continue to page 9 for League Rules

2nd Grade Boys and Girls

Rules Overview

The Community House operates the Jodie Harrison Basketball League as a recreational league designed to offer children instruction, personal fulfillment, and fun! These rules are intended not to intensify the competition level, but rather to improve the quality of play and offer all participants the opportunity to succeed. Any coach or parent who refuses to comply with the recreational nature of the league will be removed.

Hoops: 8 feet

Ball: Junior (27.5)

Clock: 8-minute quarters (ALL running clock)

Substitutions: Clock stops at 4:00 for substitutions, T. O's can be used for subs.

Scoring: No score kept

Defense: Man to man, wristbands determine who covers who
No press, no defense before top of key
No double team

Fouls: No fouls recorded or called, no free throws
No back court violation will be called
No 3 seconds in the key violation
No 5 second in-bound violation
No 10 seconds in backcourt violation
No picks

All Leagues: Only a very short warm up period is available between games
Half Time is 3 minutes
2 timeouts per half (TO's do not carry over from halves' or into OT)
No Jewelry
Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Teams must clean up their area after games
Each team must at least have 4 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 4 vs. 4)

3rd Grade Boys and Girls

Rules Overview

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Hoops: 9 feet

Ball: Junior (27.5)

Clock: 8-minute quarters (running clock, except for last 2 minutes of half and game) No Overtime

Substitutions: Clock stops at 4:00 for substitutions, T. O's can be used for subs.

Scoring: Normal scoring, without 3 pointers

Defense: Man to man, wristbands determine who covers who
No press, no defense before top of key
Double team in key only

Fouls: No fouls recorded or called, no free throws
No back court violation will be called
No 3 seconds in the key violation
No 5 second in-bound violation
No 10 seconds in backcourt violation
No picks

All Leagues: Only a very short warm up period is available between games
Half Time is 3 minutes
2 timeouts per half (TO's do not carry over from halves' or into OT)
No Jewelry
Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Technical fouls count as team fouls
Teams must clean up their area after games
Each team must at least have 4 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 4 vs. 4)

4th Grade Boys and Girls

Rules Overview

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Hoops: Boys - 10 feet Girls – 9 feet

Ball: Boys – Junior (27.5) Girls – Junior (27.5)

Clock: 8-minute quarters (running clock, except for last 2 minutes of half and game)
Overtime: First team to score or 2 min Max (Whichever comes first)

Substitutions: Clock stops at 4:00 for substitutions, T. O's can be used for subs.

Scoring: Normal scoring, including 3 pointers

Defense: **Man to man required for first 4 games**
Zones allowed (not required) last 4 games
No full court press, half court always allowed
Legal picks are allowed
Double teaming allowed in key only EXCEPTION: Once zones are allowed, double teaming is allowed anywhere

Fouls: Fouls are recorded, foul out at **5 personal fouls**
Free throws taken on shooting fouls and when in bonus (**7th foul is bonus, 10th is double bonus**)
Back court violation will be called
3 seconds in the key violation
5 second in-bound violation
10 seconds in backcourt violation

All Leagues: Only a very short warm up period is available between games
Half Time is 3 minutes
2 timeouts per half (TO's do not carry over from halves' or into OT)
No Jewelry
Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Technical fouls count as team fouls
Teams must clean up their area after games
Each team must at least have 4 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 4 vs. 4)

5th & 6th Grade Boys and Girls

Rules Overview

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Hoops: 10 feet

Ball: Boys-Intermediate (28.5) Girls-Inter mediate (28.5)

Clock: 10-minute quarters (running clock, except for last 2 minutes of half and game) Overtime is 3 minutes (one running clock, 2 with normal stoppages, 1 TO)
NO DBL OT

Substitutions: Open substitutions are allowed

Scoring: Normal scoring, including 3 pointers

Defense: Man to man required for first 4 games
Zones allowed (not required) last 4 games
Full court press allowed ONLY during last 2 minutes of half/game (exception-a team leading by 15 or more may not press until lead is 6 or less, ALSO, a team losing by 10 or more may press until deficit is less than 10)
Half court press always allowed
Legal picks are allowed
Double teaming allowed in key only **EXCEPTION:** Once zones are allowed, double teaming is allowed anywhere

Fouls: Fouls are recorded, foul out at **5 personal fouls**
Free throws taken on shooting fouls and when in bonus (**7th foul is bonus, 10th is double bonus**)
Back court violation will be called
3 seconds in the key violation
5 second in-bound violation
10 seconds in backcourt violation

All Leagues: Only a very short warm up period is available between games
Half Time is 3 minutes
2 timeouts per half (TO's do not carry over from halves' or into OT)
No Jewelry
Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Technical fouls count as team fouls
Teams must clean up their area after games
Each team must at least have 4 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 4 vs. 4)

7th & 8th Grade Boys

Rules Overview

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Hoops: 10 feet

Ball: Boys-Regulation (29.5) Girls-Intermediate (28.5)

Clock: 10-minute quarters (running clock, except for last 2 minutes of half and game) Overtime is 3 minutes (one running clock, 2 with normal stoppages, 1 TO) NO DBL OT

Substitutions: Open substitutions are allowed

Scoring: Normal scoring, including 3 pointers

Defense: Zones allowed (not required) all games
Full court press allowed ONLY during last 2 minutes of half/game (exception-a team leading by 15 or more may not press until lead is 6 or less, ALSO, a team losing by 10 or more may press until lead is less than 10)
Half court press always allowed
Legal picks are allowed
Double teaming allowed

Fouls: Fouls are recorded, foul out at **5 personal fouls**
Free throws taken on shooting fouls and when in bonus (**7th foul is bonus, 10th is double bonus**)
Back court violation will be called
3 seconds in the key violation
5 second in-bound violation
10 seconds in backcourt violation

All Leagues: Only a very short warm up period is available between games
Half Time is 3 minutes
2 timeouts per half (TO's do not carry over from halves' or into OT)
No Jewelry
Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Technical fouls count as team fouls
Teams must clean up their area after games
Each team must at least have 4 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 4 vs. 4)

7th & 8th Grade Girls

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Hoops: 10 feet

Ball: Girls-Intermediate (28.5)

Clock: 10-minute quarters (running clock, except for last 2 minutes of half and game) Overtime is 3 minutes (one running clock, 2 with normal stoppages, 1 TO) NO DBL OT

Players: 4 vs. 4
Each team must at least have 3 players to start the game
(This does not mean the other team has to play down to 3 vs. 3)

Substitutions: Open substitutions are allowed

Scoring: Normal scoring, including 3 pointers

Defense: Zones allowed (not required) all games
Full court press allowed ONLY during last 2 minutes of half/game (exception-a team leading by 15 or more may not press until lead is 6 or less, ALSO, a team losing by 10 or more may press until lead is less than 10)
Half court press always allowed
Legal picks are allowed
Double teaming allowed

Fouls: Fouls are recorded, foul out at **5 personal fouls**
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Shirts tucked in
No sleeveless shirts
Jersey must be worn
Technical fouls count as team fouls
Teams must clean up their area after games

Playoffs

- **Tiebreakers:**
 - 2 Teams:
 - Overall record
 - Head-to-head matchup
 - Overall points against for season
 - Coin Flip
 - 3 or more Teams
 - Overall Record
 - Head-to-head if even games played against exist for all teams involved (if one wins out, the remaining two teams revert to 2 team tie breaker rules)
 - Overall Points against for season
 - Coin flip