Wells Parks & Recreation Youth Gr 1-5 & Kindergarten basketball information 2024-2025

- MUST PREREGISTER at <u>www.wellsrec.org</u>
- No sharing of water or snacks. All Players should have their own water.
- If you are feeling sick <u>stay home</u>; please contact coaches or Rec.
- Youth Basketball is an introductory and intermediate league for boys & girls. There will be separate teams for each gender if numbers allow. Participants learn, practice, and demonstrate the skills and concepts of basketball while gaining confidence. An emphasis is placed on skill development and teamwork at both levels. All registered players will be placed on a team.
- **Kindergarten Basketball:** Is a separate program from youth but shares the same philosophy of teaching basic skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting, and team play. This is a once a week, one hour program that starts in January and goes until February vacation. Kindergarteners will use junior size basketballs and shoot at an 8' hoop.
- Youth Basketball Junior Teams (Grades 1-2): This division will play 4 v 4 games on the side half courts at a 9' hoop using a junior size ball; score is not kept. Coaches and referees will be on the court to help the players during the games and all children will receive equal playing time.
- Youth Basketball Senior Basketball (Grades 3-5): This division will play 5 v 5 games on the full court using women's size basketballs and shooting at regulation 10' hoops; score will be kept but may be reset if lopsided games occur. Coaches are not allowed on the court to help the players during the games and all children will receive close to equal playing time.
- **Cost:** \$75 per player for Youth. \$55 for Kindergarten. Price includes a T-shirt.
- Skills clinics / first day of basketball: To start off the season players are asked to attend a skills clinic so coaches can evaluate players. All players are placed on a team; however, we want to ensure teams are as equal as we can make them, for a better experience.

Jr Grade 1 Skills Day –Saturday, Nov 16 @ 8:00-8:55am Jr Grade 2 Skills Day – Saturday, Nov 16 @ 9:00-9:55am Sr Boys Skills day –Saturday, Nov 16 @ 10:30-11:30am Sr Girls Skills Day –Saturday, Nov 16 @ 11:30-12:30pm At the Wells Elementary Gym

- Team will be announced by email and on the Rec website by Thursday, Nov 21.
- Teams will meet with coaches and have their first practice on Saturday, Nov 23.
- Practices:

Kindergarten teams will practice at the Elem gym ONLY on Wednesdays @ 4:00-5:00pm

Jr (grades 1/2) teams will practice at the Elem gym @ 4:00-5:00pm on either Tuesdays or Thursday, depending on team.

Sr (grades 3/4) teams will practice at the Elem gym @ 5:00-6:00pm once a week, on either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesdays, or Thursdays depending on team.

**Please inform Marilyn if you need a certain practice day or have any conflicts days; we will try and accommodate your conflict request. Requests to be on specific teams may or may not be accepted depending on the balance of the team.

- Practices will begin the week of November 25 (No school No practice)
- Games: Will be played on Saturdays at Wells Elem gym.
 Jr teams @ 8:00am or 9:00am
 Sr teams @ 10:15am or 11:15am or 12:15pm or 1:15pm
- **Team shirts:** A team shirt will be provided to you from the Rec Dept.

COACHES NEEDED FOR ALL AGE GROUPS