# **Basketball – Youth**



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3-Game Guarantee!

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**DATES:** July 18-19, 2020

SITES: Speedway Sports Complex, 345 Speedway Cir, Lincoln

SCHEDULES/BRACKETS: Games begin at 9 a.m. each day. Tournament brackets will be posted at CornhuskerStateGames.com the week of

competition. Teams are responsible for checking website for game times and locations.

NOTE: Teams outside of 50 miles away from Lincoln will get latest schedule times for first game.

**ADMISSION:** Admission will be charged daily at all Basketball venues.

Adults: \$5

Students (6-18 Years): \$2 Children (5 & Younger): FREE Admission with Super Pass: FREE

All registered athletes receive a complimentary Super Pass in the athlete packet. Additional Super Passes for spectators and family members can be purchased for \$15 at CornhuskerStateGames.com. The Super Pass gains free admission to all 2020 Cornhusker State Games events and venues, including the Opening Ceremonies.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Enter the corresponding grade division that the players were in during the 2019-2020 school year. Players may need to provide proof of school status via a school I.D. card. There must be at least four teams entered to provide a tournament for an age group. Age groups may be cancelled if these requirements are not met. Tournament Director can combine or cancel divisions depending on the amount of teams entered. All teams will be notified if division updates are made.

AWARDS: Custom Cornhusker State Games gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to the top three teams in each division of 5 or more teams.

# **EVENTS**

Event Name	Event Name	Teams will be competing
<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	in the same age group they played during the
Exiting 2nd Grade	Exiting 2nd Grade	
Exiting 3rd Grade	Exiting 3rd Grade	
Exiting 4th Grade	Exiting 4th Grade	2019/2020 season.
Exiting 5th Grade	Exiting 5th Grade	,
Exiting 6th Grade	Exiting 6th Grade	
Exiting 7th Grade	Exiting 7th Grade	

**Note:** Teams wishing to play in  $9^{th} - 12^{th}$  grade divisions must view the Adult/High School Basketball information.

**Exiting 8th Grade** 

# **DIVISION DETAILS:**

Exiting 8th Grade

Each grade division will be split up into a Level A bracket and a Level B bracket:

**Level A -** Competitive level teams that are tryout or coach/parent select teams.

Level B - Lower competitive teams that are randomly assigned by organizations or school teams.







During online registration, teams must select Level A or Level B. If registering via the paper form, teams must list Level A or Level B in the Additional Details/Special Instructions section.

For seeding purposes, teams must also rate themselves from 1 to 5, with 5 being well above average and 1 being well below average. A rating must be selected during online registration, or listed in the Additional Details/Special Instructions section of the paper entry form.

## **REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES**

- 1. All teams are guaranteed a minimum of three scheduled games. Number of teams entered will determine how four games are played. i.e. round robin, pool play etc.
- 2. Federation High School rules will be followed with the following exceptions:
- \*20 minute running clock except for last two minutes of each half, (where clock will stop on all whistles) unless one team is ahead by more than 15 points. If lead falls below 15 points, clock will again stop. In addition, clock will stop on all technical fouls, injuries or timeouts. Clock does not restart until it would in a normal dead ball situation.
- \*Overtimes will be three minutes in length with running clock until last 30 seconds. Five-minute halftime and 5 minute pregame warm-up. Game time is forfeit time (no grace period).
  - \*2nd -7th Grade boys and all girls will use an Intermediate ball (28.5")
  - \*Teams must wear jerseys with numbers on front or back. There are no number restrictions.
  - \*Three full timeouts per game, one 30-second timeout.
  - \*No full court press for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade divisions until final minute of game if score is within 5 points.
  - \*No restriction on press or fast break (except 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) but only to a 15 point lead.
- 3. No locker rooms or game balls will be provided (each team must provide a game ball and officials will choose, teams are responsible for securing game ball after game.)
- 4. Players may play on only one team within a tournament age group. Players' eligibility will be checked by a current grade card, if requested. Players may play "up" in an older age group. This could mean a player plays in the 8th grade tournament and the 9th-10th grade division. But they cannot play on two teams in the same 8th grade tournament (unless tournament combines).
- 5. Each team is required to provide a scorekeeper or clock operator for each game, failure to do so will result in forfeit.
- 6. All games will be officiated by high school registered officials.
- 7. **Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated!** A referee may remove persons from the game or tournament for inappropriate behavior. Do not allow or condone poor sportsmanship. This includes coaches and parents!
- 8. With a running clock, a referee may stop clock with reason. Intentionally wasting time to shorten the game can be punished with a technical foul. This does not mean a team can't use a delay offense at any time they choose. They simply can't delay to line up for free throws or sub one player at a time to run the clock.
- 9. Each tournament site will have two directors. Please direct questions to these individuals during the weekend.
- 10. No food or drinks (other than bottled water/Gatorade for players) are allowed in the tournament facilities (concessions may or may not be provided by host sites).
- 11. Tiebreaker procedure is as follows: First criteria is head to head competition. If a three-way tie exists refer to individual bracket.

# **ROSTER INFO**

#### **ROSTER UPDATES:**

Teams can make roster updates online.

The deadline to make roster updates is 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, JULY 14. Rosters are considered FINAL after that date.

Teams that register online are able to login and make roster substitutions free of charge. **Teams that register via the paper entry form will be charged a \$10 processing fee to substitute players.** Teams are strongly encouraged to register online to eliminate any roster change fees.

MINIMUM ROSTER SIZE: Five players. If registering online, the minimum roster size must be entered to advance to check-out.

MAXIMUM ROSTER SIZE: Ten players. If team has more than 10 players, contact the State Games office.

NOTE: Rosters WILL be checked during tournament. Please make sure your roster is current prior to the July 14 deadline.

**TEAM WAIVER**: The team waiver form must be signed by each team member, or by parent/guardian if the participant is 18 years or younger. If the team is registered online, and the online waiver for each player is clicked as 'Accepted', no printed/signed waiver is needed. **All team waivers must be clicked as 'Accepted' or submitted to the Cornhusker State Games office by TUESDAY, JULY 16 to be eligible for competition.** Printable waiver forms and further instructions at CornhuskerStateGames.com/Waivers.

## JOIN US AT SPORTFEST AND OPENING CEREMONIES ON JULY 17!

For more information regarding Sportfest and Opening Ceremonies, please refer to Opening Ceremonies web page.

## ATHLETE PACKETS & TEAM BOXES

Due to COVID-19, all athlete packets will be shipped. A shipping fee of \$5 (Individuals) or \$15 (Teams) will be added upon checkout. Packets include athlete shirt and one free Arby's sandwich certificate per person. Athletes will receive their packet prior to competition.

# **REGISTRATION FEES & DEADLINES**

For pricing and dates, please check the Basketball 5v5 – Youth web page.

**ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:** Competition in the 2020 Cornhusker State Games; White cotton athlete shirt (micro-fiber or soft cotton lightweight tri-blend upgrade available); Sponsor gifts and coupons.

**COACHES:** Head coach will receive the athlete packet free of charge, and will receive a medal if awarded. Assistant coaches must be included on the registration and pay the entry fee to receive the athlete packet, medal, and free admission to competition sites.

**TEAM ONLINE REGISTRATION NOTE:** When registering your team online, please note that the system will ask you to enter your team name and roster *prior* to selecting your sport and division. In the INDIVIDUAL Shipping dropdown menu, be sure to select "TEAM" for each team member. **If you wish to have your team packet shipped, you will select that in the TEAM Shipping dropdown menu.** 

PAPER ENTRY FORMS: Paper entry forms will be accepted with a \$10 processing fee per team. Registering online at CornhuskerStateGames.com saves time, money and trees. If registering via the paper entry form, teams must indicate Level A or Level B, as well as a team rating of 1-5 (5 being well above average and 1 being well below average) in the Additional Details/Special Instructions section of the form.

**SCHEDULING NOTE:** It is Nebraska Sports Council policy to not release team or divisional information until after the entry deadline. With teams waiting until on or near the deadline to enter, releasing data prior to that day does not provide an accurate picture of the tournament field and serves only to discourage those taking a wait-and-see approach.

All teams are encouraged to take advantage of the early entry discount and enter prior to that deadline, which in turn generates additional interest as teams attract one another. In the rare event that a division does not supply enough teams to warrant a viable tournament, teams will be given the option to move to another division, or be issued a refund. We appreciate

the understanding of coaches and parents on this matter and would encourage teams to enter early and trust that there will be adequate competition in all divisions.

# **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Sport Specific Questions: Contact Basketball Sport Director Vern Schulte at desertbluedevil@yahoo.com.

**Online Registration/Website Questions:** Contact the Cornhusker State Games office at 402-471-2544 or info@nebraskasportscouncil.com.