# Grade 7&8 Boys | League Play

Evaluation Dates | Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> as make-up
Registration Deadline | Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>
Uniform Order Deadline | Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>
Training Begins | Week of Nov. 27
December 2<sup>nd</sup> | League Jamboree Day (3 shortened games)
Player Fee | \$95



#### **REGISTER HERE**

UNIFORM ORDER LINK | Open until Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> BOYS Uniform code = 85047

## Grades 7/8 Boys Program |

Players at all levels of the ability spectrum will continue to build individual skills in a fun environment. At this age practices will also introduce players to more team tactics for both offense and defense. Since league options at this age and gender have been competitive each team will compete in league games on the weekend along with practice sessions during the week. The goal is for all players to be comfortable and able to play in any basketball situation regardless of the offensive or defensive setting. Players will learn how to adapt and play the game along utilizing the individual skill developed at the younger age groups.

# Evaluation Date | Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>

This date is the opportunity for our coaches & coordinators to create parity based teams. Since our teams are recreational in nature they will have players at levels of the ability spectrum. Our only goal for these dates are to give players a chance to get on the court before the season and for us to create teams as evenly as possible.

#### Game Play

Since our local league offers a good level of competition this age group will continue participation within the SENHYBL. Games will be played from Dec. 2 (Jamboree) to Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. Games may be scheduled on either Saturdays or Sundays and will either be home or away.

Opportunities for skill-based teams will be moved up this season for grades 5-8 to provide a longer opportunity for players to train, play with each other and prepare for tournament level play at the end of the regular season.

#### Practice Schedule |

ORYA is not able to offer a training schedule until all coaches have been identified and their requests/conflicts have been gathered and compared against gym availability. This is an ongoing process during registration and just after. We hope to announce your practice schedule at the same time your team roster & Coach is announced – a few days following the make-up evaluation.

Grade 7&8 teams will practice at least once (goal is 2) per week M-F. Most practices will be held at either the Middle School or High School gyms.

## Player Conflicts |

With 300+ kids in the program, creating parity based teams, limited mid-week gym availability and factoring coach availability avoiding conflicts is impossible. However, we will try our best! During registration you will have the opportunity to tell us if your player(s) has any nights they cannot practice. Please only note conflicts when they are legitimate and not just preference.

## Uniform |

A uniform is required for the regular season but it is the same uniform as last season. Only new players to the program, or those that have outgrown their previous jersey, will need to order a new one. All uniforms will be individually purchased via a Collin's Sports online store, they will be delivered to ORYA with a goal of distribution on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. This uniform is NOT part of your program fee and is in addition to your tuition. The jersey is \$34 and the shorts are \$12.

ORYA provides basketballs for practices and games. However, players are encouraged to bring their own properly sized and inflated ball to practice.

Those that aren't ordered prior to the deadline will have the opportunity to be part of a late-order. One late-order will be placed on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. The late order will be processed and delivered as quickly as possible but possibly 2-3 weeks into the season.

If you register after the late-order you will not be able to receive a jersey.

## Program Outline Disclaimer

ORYA Basketball has created the program outline above to accommodate the program numbers historically seen at this age group. As numbers dictate, ORYA may change the program approach to offer players a developmentally appropriate program based on number of players, age groups, ability levels, etc. of those that participate in the program.

## Player Tuition |

The tuition for this program accounts for insurance (medical & liability), referees, small equipment budget, ball stipend, ORYA Admin & Capital Fund allocation, online payment processing fees and small stipend for coach education or skills coaches.