

# Grade 7&8 Boys | League Play

**Registration Deadline | Nov. 7**  
**+\$30 Late Registration | Nov. 8 on**

**Evaluation Dates | Nov. 10, 13 as make-up**  
**Uniform Order Deadline | Nov. 10 (Samples available for sizing at Evals)**

**Team Placement Communication | Week of Nov. 19**

**Practices Begins | Week of Nov. 27**  
**Games | Lamprey River League | Schedule TBD**  
**Player Tuition | \$140**



## [BOYS Registration](#)

## [Boys Uniform Order; code 95445](#)

### **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. 10<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 all levels of the ability spectrum. Our only goal for this date is to give players a chance to get on the court before the season and for us to create teams as evenly as possible. The better the parity in teams the more competitive, enjoyable and educational your experience will be.

### **Evaluation Schedule:**

9:00-10:00 | Grade 3&4 Girls  
10:15-11:15 | Grade 3&4 Boys  
11:30-12:30 | Grade 5&6 Girls  
12:45-1:45 | Grade 5&6 Boys  
2:00-3:00 | Grade 7&8 Girls  
3:00-4:00 | Grade 7&8 Boys

### **Creating Teams |**

Since weekend games are part of the program, ORYA will select teams to practice and play together. Since this is an in-house recreational program teams are created with a mix of ability levels and offer parity between teams for weekend games. We will do our best to accommodate as many schedule requests as possible but accommodating all are simply impossible.

### **Game Play |**

Since our local league offers a good level of competition this age group will continue participation within the SENHYBL. 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 the registration deadline. You will find out your practice schedule at the same time you find out your team/coach placement. Our goal for team/coach communication is the week of Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. With that said, this age group generally practices from 7:45-8:45 at the Middle School.

### **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 | |** Uniform order deadline is Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>

**Only new players to the program, or those that have outgrown their previous jersey, will need to order a new one. This uniform is NOT part of your program fee and is in addition to your tuition.** 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. 1<sup>st</sup>. The jersey is \$34 and the shorts are optional during the regular season. Your number will be assigned to you.

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 Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>. The late order will be processed and delivered as quickly as possible but possibly 2-3 weeks after the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

If you register after the late order you will not be able to receive a uniform and will only receive a ball if ORYA still has stock.

### **Coaches |**

Your coaches are volunteers and most of the time have their own child in the program. At a minimum, coaches are required to submit a background check and complete a Safe Sport certification. Coaches are also asked to attend a Positive Coaching Alliance workshop to support a consistent coaching philosophy across programs. Please respect the time and dedication your coaches volunteer to provide an opportunity for your player. After all, if we don't have volunteer coaches we don't have a program.

If you're interested in volunteering to coach please note that during your player registration.

### **Tournament Team Opportunities |**

Tournament team information will be shared directly with teams soon after the start of the season.

### **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), small equipment budget, ORYA Admin & Capital Fund allocation, online payment processing fees, new program balls, small stipend for coach education or skills coaches, coach background check and safe sport certification expenses, ORCSD cleaning fee, league fees and referee expenses.

Why is your fee more than last year? ORYA has increased its Admin and Capital fund allocation for the first time in over 5 years, Team Snap expenses are now factored into player fees, ORCSD is now charging us for weekend cleaning services and the MS and HS, and we now require Safe Sport certifications from all coaches.