

FBC, Hot Springs
2021 Upward Basketball CAMPS
Information and Frequently Asked Questions (101620)

WE WILL NOT OFFER OUR NORMAL UPWARD BASKETBALL LEAGUE THIS SEASON. Like it has for so many other things, COVID-19 has disrupted our routine. We are grateful to offer an **Upward basketball camps option** for K-2nd graders in January-February 2021. This option is based on completed surveys and with current restrictions for face coverings and social distancing still in place.

1. What is the basic plan for the Camps option?

With all factors considered, here is the basic, tentative timeframe for Saturdays:

- a. Our Upward Camps provides for a maximum of 10 teams with a maximum of 80 players in 3 divisions.
 - K-Coed: 2 teams
 - 1st-2nd grade boys: 2 teams
 - 1st-2nd grade girls: 2 teams
 - We will create a 1-2 grade coed team, if vacancies remain and if necessary to make room for your player.
- b. We will not have player evaluations because there is no draft.
- c. Teams will be assigned a Saturday time slot for practice and for an intrasquad (within their own team) scrimmage for 5 Saturdays.
- d. Online registration opens October 19.
- e. The 5-week camps season runs January 9-February 6, 2021.

2. What procedures will you take to minimize spreading of COVID-19?

- a. We will follow COVID-19 safety and sanitizing protocols, for example but not all-inclusive,
 - 1) Masks and COVID-19 waivers are required before entry into the FBC FLC.
 - 2) COVID-19 screening of all personnel before entry
 - 3) All persons are required to wear masks properly and while in the FLC. Players can remove their masks while actively participating in the practice or scrimmage.
 - 4) All persons will be required to maintain the required minimum 6-foot social distancing.
 - 5) We will maintain small groups (max of 2 teams with 8 players max/2 coaches per team)
 - 6) We will limit spectator attendance based on crowd protocols (currently 2 persons max per camper)
 - 7) We will limit touching common items (each player gets their own ball for practice; teams receive a sanitized game ball for scrimmage).
 - 8) Players and spectators need to bring their own water bottles.
 - 9) We will not have snacks or foods in the FLC this season.
 - 10) We will provide coaches with an electronic whistle to use during practice and scrimmages.
 - 11) Coaches will officiate and coach during their scrimmages.
 - 12) We will collect, clean, and store player/team basketballs for following week. Players will take the balls home after the last Saturday of scrimmages.
 - 13) Spectators will need to bring their own chairs to help reduce clean up time between scrimmages.
 - 14) We will sanitize before and after team practices/scrimmages (includes court, high touch areas, bathrooms).
 - 15) We will enforce prompt exiting to allow proper cleaning before the next teams enter.
- b. We will follow the guidelines established by our First Baptist Church COVID Response Team for any positive COVID results, including

- 1) Not allowing positively tested players, family members, coaches, staff to attend until their quarantine period has expired.
- 2) We will not offer refunds after a player has received their player kit since the \$25 registration fee pays for the player resources (basketball, tshirt, water bottle, and scripture learning resources).

3. How old does my child need to be to play?

Our Upward **introductory and developmental** basketball camps are open to children in Kindergarten and 1st-2nd grades.

4. How much does it cost?

- a. The camp fee is **\$25** and includes a tee-shirt, basketball, water bottle, and scripture learning resources.
- b. Multiple player family discounts include: \$5 discount for each additional player. These discounts are automatically applied when registering online at www.fbcrecreation.com.
- c. We offer partial scholarships to qualifying players if we have funds available. Upward leadership must approve.

5. How do I register my player for the Kindergarten Coed, 1st-2nd Grade Girls, or 1st-2nd Grade Boys division?

- a. You must register online to reduce the number of touchpoints in this COVID season. Follow the links from www.fbcrecreation.com.
- b. If you do not have a credit card, you can complete and submit the online registration, then bring your fees First Baptist Church.
- c. **A child is not registered until payment is received!**

****** JUST BECAUSE YOU SIGN UP, PAY ONLINE, AND RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOUR CHILD HAS SECURED ONE OF THE 80 VACANICES! ******

- **Player spots will be filled in order of the date and time stamp I receive them.**
- **We will contact you asap to let you know your player has filled a vacancy.**
- **Once the 80 spots are taken, we will close registration. We will contact you in the order of receipt to see if you want to be on the waiting list. Otherwise, we will contact you asap to let you know you did not get a spot and begin the refund process.**
- **We are prepared to offer 2 teams each in the 3 divisions.**
- **We need a minimum of 6 players to create additional teams.**
- **We will create a 1-2 grade coed team, if vacancies remain and if necessary to make room for your player.**

6. When is the deadline to register?

Registration ends November 28 or when all vacancies are filled. We will have waiting lists.

7. When do practices and games begin? What time will they be?

All practices and intrasquad scrimmages will be on Saturdays beginning January 9, 2021. Teams will have 45-minutes maximum for practice, followed by the coach-led team devotional. Intrasquad scrimmage will take place after the devotional. Team times will be determined.

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