

Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation 5 and 6 year old Division Youth Basketball

The MPRD 5 & 6 year old division of Youth Basketball is a co-ed instructional league with the goals of teaching basic/fundamental skills, developing & maintaining a “love of the game” and having fun. Our hope is to provide a foundation that will keep our youth involved with basketball for many years to come.

Game Rules & Practice Procedures:

Practices- 5&6 year old teams will practice 55 minutes for four Saturdays prior to the start of the season. After the season begins, team practices will be limited to 40 minutes prior to each game.

Court/Goals- The 5&6 age division will play on a modified sized court and shoot on 8’ goals.

Ball size- The official ball will be the 27.5” ball also labeled as a “Youth” ball.

Game length- The game will consist of four 6 minute quarters with a running clock. Any stoppage of time will be regulated by the game officials.

Starting the Game- The first team possession will be determined by a coin toss. There will no tip off.

Substitutions: Will be made at the end of each quarter. All players must play 2 quarters of each game with at least 1 quarter per half.

Back court violations: None in the 5&6 year old division.

Pressure line: Defensive players are not allowed to guard offensive players until the ball has passed the pressure line. Pressure lines will be highly visible with distinct color and dashed lines.

Double Dribble and walks: Players will be given three steps with the ball. Any further advancement without bouncing the ball will be considered traveling. Double dribbles will not count if the player is making an attempt to continue the dribble with one hand.

Fouls: The ball will be taken out of bounds on fouls with the exception of player shooting fouls. Two shots will be awarded for excessive and/or overly aggressive fouls, after a team warning has been issued, subject to the officials’ judgement.

Scoreboard: The scoreboard will reflect the game time only. There will be no scores recorded or team standings kept in the 5 and 6 division.

Referees: Two referees will be present to assist in teaching and providing understanding of the basic rules of the game. They will maintain the flow of the game.

Coaches: One coach will be allowed on the floor at all times to assist with player placement and instruction.

If you have any questions regarding our program or your child’s involvement please contact:

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Our league website is:

<http://www.allprosoftware.net/mprdyouthbasketball/>