## Buffalo Girls Basketball Philosophy <br> 8th Grade

Zone defense allowed only for special situations such as foul trouble or extreme match-up issues. Should be less than $10 \%$ of the game. Can split into $A$ and $B$ teams if the talent is there. The players will be evaluated by the varsity coaching staff. Upon completion of evaluations, the varsity coach will confer with the traveling coaches in determining the teams. Practice twice a week and consist of $70 \%$ fundamentals and $30 \%$ plays/scrimmage. All players will play 10+ meaningful minutes, but not necessarily equal at the A level. Playing time should be even at the $B$ level until the final minutes of the game.
Play 9 Tournaments plus the state tournament.

## 7th Grade

Zone defense allowed only for special situations such as foul trouble or extreme match-up issues. Should be less than $10 \%$ of the game. Can split into $A$ and $B$ teams if the talent is there. The players will be evaluated by the varsity coaching staff. Upon completion of evaluations, the varsity coach will confer with the traveling coaches in determining the teams. Practice twice a week and consist of $80 \%$ fundamentals and $20 \%$ plays/scrimmage. All players will play $10+$ meaningful minutes, but not necessarily equal at the A level. Playing time should be even at the B level until the final minutes of the game.
Play 8 Tournaments plus the state tournament.

## 6th Grade

No zone defense
Practice twice a week and consist of $80 \%$ fundamentals and $20 \%$ plays/scrimmage. Can split into A and B teams if the talent is there. The players will be evaluated by the varsity coaching staff. Upon completion of evaluations, the varsity coach will confer with the traveling coaches in determining the teams. Equal playing time for all kids with the exception of the final minutes of a close game. If there's a chance to win towards the end of the game, put our best players in and try and win the game.
Play 7 Tournaments plus the state tournament.

## 5th Grade

No zone defense
No "A" Teams
Practice twice a week and consist of $90 \%$ fundamentals and $10 \%$ plays/scrimmage
Equal playing time for all kids with the exception of the final minutes of a close game. If there's a chance to win towards the end of the game, put our best players in and try and win the game.
Play 6 Tournaments plus the state tournament.

## 4th Grade

No zone defense
No "A" Teams
Practice twice a week and consist of $90 \%$ fundamentals and $10 \%$ plays/scrimmage Equal playing time for all kids with the exception of the final minutes of a close game. If there's a chance to win towards the end of the game, put our best players in and try and win the game.
Play in 5 tournaments plus the state tournament.

