

A close-up photograph of a basketball resting on a polished wooden floor. The basketball is orange with black lines and is positioned on the left side of the frame. Its reflection is clearly visible on the glossy surface of the floor. The background is dark and out of focus.

Hortonville Hoops Boys Youth Basketball

2025-2026

Parents Meeting

September 8, 2025



Tonight's Agenda

- Introductions (Current Board, Varsity Coach)
- Program Details & Description
- Jersey, Apparel
- Key Dates to remember
- Fundraising
- Volunteer Opportunities
- General Questions



Introductions

- Boys Varsity Coach – Matt Hintz
- Current Boys Board Members
 - Aaron Lehmkuhl (President)
 - Whitney Lueder (Vice President)
 - Oressa Kulack (Secretary)
 - Jeff Dunlap (Concessions Coordinator)
 - Gloria Thompson (Volunteer Coordinator)
 - Michelle Leiteritz (Treasurer)



Grade Leads

3rd Grade-Megan McLean/Brandon Thurs

4th Grade- Matt DeKoch

5th Grade - Brian Enders

6th Grade - Tom Kolosso

7th Grade - Aaron Lehmkuhl

8th Grade - Lanny Rogers



Mission/Program Philosophy

It is the mission of the Hortonville Hoops Club to instill in our players confidence, commitment, leadership skills and integrity as a foundation for a productive and successful life. Our goal is to teach our athletes respect for themselves, their peers and their community by instilling a code of ethics built on honesty, responsibility and teamwork.



Parent Expectations

- Release the experience to your child. The experience is about them, not you.
- Teach your child to be an advocate for themselves. If the challenge is not resolved, the parent can certainly speak with the coaching staff privately by making an appointment. Approaching coaches before, during or after a practice or a game is not appropriate.
- Do not speak negatively about coaches or other players in front of your child or other players at any time.
- When watching games parents are to be encouraging to the team and respectful representatives with officials and other spectators.
- When watching games parents are to let the coaches coach. Let the coaches do their job and coach the team.
- Be positive and supportive with your child! You are a big part of helping them have fun and enjoy the experience!

What Makes a Good Coach

Patience

One of the most important qualities for any youth sports coach is patience. When coaching young athletes, it can be frustrating when kids don't listen or don't seem to be trying their best. However, a good coach understands that this is all part of the learning process.

Good Communication Skills

It is important for coaches to be able to communicate effectively with their players. This means being able to give clear instructions, but also listening to what players have to say.

Positive Attitude

A positive attitude is another important quality for youth sports coaches. Kids will often mirror the attitudes of their coaches, so it is important to stay positive even when things are going wrong.

Good Sportsmanship

Good coaches understand that sports are more than just the score on the scoreboard. Sports help mold character traits for a lifetime.

Teachable

A great youth sports coach knows when to ask for help whether it's with a specific drill, practice plan, or additional equipment

Registration

- Registration will be available online only and link can be found at <http://HortonvilleHoops.com>
- **Registration is \$150 + \$50 tied to calendar raffle.**
- **Deadline for registration and uniforms is Sunday, September 21.**
- Early registration is critical to ensure league access, selecting coaches and for uniform ordering.



Disclaimer on Additional Teams Outside of Season

- We understand that parent's will form teams in the Fall and Spring to provide additional opportunities to play basketball (which we 100% support).
- Reminder that these teams should not be registered as part of the Hortonville Hoops Club primarily due to liability issues. This includes reserving gym space at Hortonville facilities.

Heart of the Valley League

- The HOVL is open to boys and girls in 3rd through 6th grade; our 3rd-5th grade teams typically are the only grades that will participate.
- Weekends of play for 2025 season are: 11/8;11/15/ & 12/6.
- All games are local; teams would be split evenly.
- The purpose and philosophy of the HOV league is to teach and allow the players to learn in an environment where winning is not the most important thing; no records are kept.



Bay Area Development League (BADL)

- Compete against other teams from Northeast/Central Wisconsin (older grades may compete against teams from other parts of the State).
- League will run from Mid-November through early February to include an end of year tournament.



NY2LA Platinum League

- State 1 teams in Grades 5-8 will have the option to participate in this league instead of BADL.
- 1 day events at facilities in Eastern/Southeastern Wisconsin.
- Potential for 5 weekends plus end of year tournament.



Bay Area Development League Hosting Dates

- Hortonville Hosting Dates
 - Thus far will be hosting games 2 weekends this season:
 - December 13/14
 - January 24/25



3rd & 4th Grade

- Practices twice a week for 1 - 1.5 hours typically starting towards end of October.
- Will practice at various HASD facilities.
- Practice schedule for the season will be known around early October
 - Practice schedule will be entered into SportsEngine
- Plays in the HOV & BADL League
 - HOV league will have 2 dates in November
 - For BADL, 2 Games on each scheduled date, Appleton/Green Bay/Oshkosh areas only
 - 8 dates over the course of the season.
 - Season runs December - February
 - Teams will be evenly split



5th Grade - 8th Grade

- Practices twice a week for 1.5 hours typically starting in mid/late October
- Will practice at various HASD facilities
- Practice schedule for the season will be known around mid October
 - Practice schedule will be entered into SportsEngine
- Plays in the BADL League (5th grade may play in HOVL)
 - Teams are split by league competition levels
 - League levels are:
 - Platinum
 - Badger Red
 - Badger White
 - Bucky
 - Badger Red (5th grade)/Badger White; Bucky - will play 2 Games per date, area locations
 - 8 dates over the course of the season
 - Platinum (6th-8th Grade) - will play 3 games per date over 3 weekends.
 - Season runs Mid-November-early February



State Teams (5th-8th)

- State teams will continue on to Tournament play after BADL season ends, non state teams will end when league ends.
- Each grade will support 2 State level teams (State 1 & State 2)
- State 1 players will be playing on Platinum or Badger Red during the BADL season (the top team in the grade)
- State 2 players will be playing on Badger Red or Badger White level team during BADL season (the second team in the grade)
- Players not wanting to be considered for State Teams will be selected for either the Badger White or Bucky team for their grade during BADL. They will not be placed on Platinum or Badger Red teams.



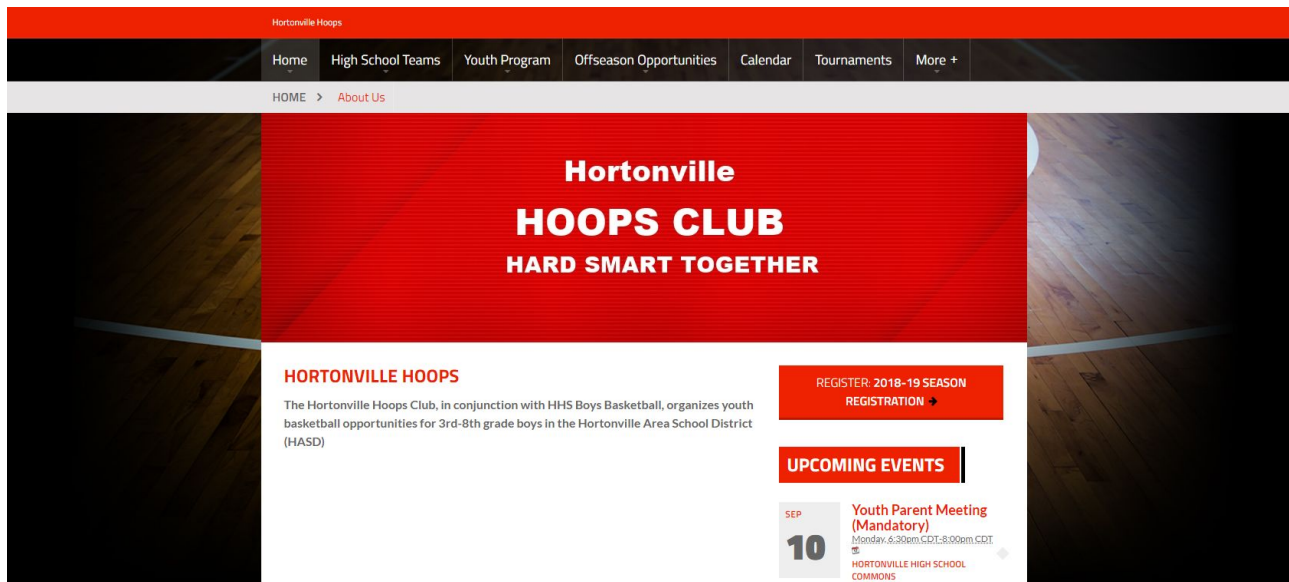
State Teams (5th-8th continued)

- Talent evaluation will be completed by Youth/High School coaches during the first few weeks of the season. Teams will be set prior to BADL season starting.
- Player performance/behavior/attendance at practice can affect standing on team.
- Depending on level, State Teams will play in 3 or 4 additional tournaments after league is done. These tourneys are an additional cost, a \$50 per player fee will be assessed prior to the tourney season.
- State teams are designed to be competitive.
 - Goal remains skill development however teams play to win and playing time distribution may not be equal.



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- One stop shop for all of our information
 - Aimed at improving communication & capabilities
 - Enabled online registration for players and our tournaments
 - Parents will be able to have access to individual team pages
 - Communication will flow through the team pages via coaches
- Facebook Page – www.facebook.com/hortonvillehoops/
- X - @hvillehoops
- Instagram - @hvillehoops





Midnight Madness Season Kickoff Event

November 20: 6:30-7:30pm @ Hortonville High
School Fieldhouse

- Youth players will have the opportunity to watch the Varsity players work through drills and live play and will also get to come on the floor and participate in games on the court.



Hoops Club Youth Night

- Youth Night is TBD
- All Hoops Club families are invited to attend as the the youth club will recognized as well as recognizing players who made the 10,000 shots made club over the summer.



Calendar Raffle Fundraiser

- Successful program for 15+ years.
- Started at the high school level and was introduced to the youth program.
- Serves as a great way for us to get kids gear for training and raise \$ for the club.



Calendar Fundraiser process

1. All players will pay for 5 calendar raffles as part of registration. Calendars are \$10 each.
 - a. You can put your name on the calendars and participate in the drawings or you can sell them for \$10 each.
2. Players are encouraged to sell additional calendars and earn great prizes and basketball gear!
3. Calendars (including the 5 you paid for at registration) will be distributed during the first week of practices. Watch the website for details, contact your grade leads or any Hoops Club board member.
4. More info to follow regarding key dates and incentives.



Volunteer Requirements - DIBS

- Parents will be required to volunteer 2 hours per child playing, 6 hours max per family.
- Volunteer Opportunities posted on DIBS prior to hosting event
 - Opportunities from now until Feb.
 - We need your help for our club to be successful
 - \$150 fee will be assessed for those who do not fulfil this requirement
- Appreciate and need those parents who go above and beyond.



Parent & Club Participation

- Hortonville Hoops Volunteer Positions (not limited to)
 - Concessions
 - Fundraising Coordinator
 - Social Media
 - Volunteer Coordinator

If interested in taking on any type of volunteer role
contact any board member

Questions ??