



2023-2024 BPAA Basketball

Parent Meeting

Agenda

- Welcome!
- Scott Smeaton, BPAA President
- Mission statement
- Committee introduction
- Code of conduct
- Sportsmanship
- Spirit Wear
- Season timelines
- Volunteer opportunities
- We need coaches in all divisions!
- Thank you!

Mission statement

- The purpose of the Brooklyn Park Athletic Association (BPAA) is to benefit the physical, mental, moral, and character development of its members and of the youth in our community by providing major sports programs and activities for boys and girls, regardless of ability or financial status.

2023-24 Basketball Committee

- Courtney Cassem, President
- Kate Lundquist, Kindergarten Coordinator
- Tom Coyer, 1st / 2nd grade boys Coordinator
- Jamie Rykyto, 3rd grade boys Coordinator
- Acie Matthews, 4th grade boys Coordinator
- Syreeta Major, 5th grade boys Coordinator
- Jafreeya Desrosiers, 1st / 2nd grade girls Coordinator
- Jafreeya Desrosiers, 3rd / 4th grade girls Coordinator
- John Furlong, uniforms and equipment
- Kira Smith, Boys Jr High Coordinator
- Jafreeya Desrosiers, Girls Jr High Coordinator
- Kira Smith, Sr high Coordinator
- TBD, Volunteer Coordinator
- Vivian Matthews, Website Coordinator
- Dean Pogatchnik, Elementary Referee Coordinator

Did you know?

- BPAA Basketball plans to have 40 elementary teams (divisions Kindergarten, 1/2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 1/2G and 1/2B)
- BPAA Basketball plans to have 15 Jr High teams (divisions 5/6G, 7/8G, 6B, 7B and 8B)
- Expecting 10 Sr High teams to be formed in December
- BPAA Basketball uses 10 schools in the cities of BP and BC to run this youth organization
- BPAA Basketball uses approximately 250 basketballs throughout one season!

Code of conduct & Sportsmanship

Referees have the authority to monitor and discipline **any individual** within a gym facility during the game. The decision of game officials is final in all cases.

Brooklyn Park Basketball Association behavior codes and policies:

Players

- Treat opponents, coaches, referees and parents with respect at all times.
- Respect the judgments of the game officials. Accept the official decisions as final say.
- Avoid improper gestures and language.
- Win without boasting. Lose without excuses. **Never quit.**

Guardians and Spectators

- Treat opponents, coaches, referees and parents with respect at all times.
- Respect the judgments of the game officials. Accept the official decisions as final say.
- Recognize and appreciate a good play, no matter who makes it.
- Teach and encourage good sportsmanship.
- Exercise self-control at all times by avoiding improper gestures and language. This sets the example for others to follow.

Spirit Wear



Add to your BPAAsports collection and purchase some BPAAsports Basketball Spirit wear from our online store!

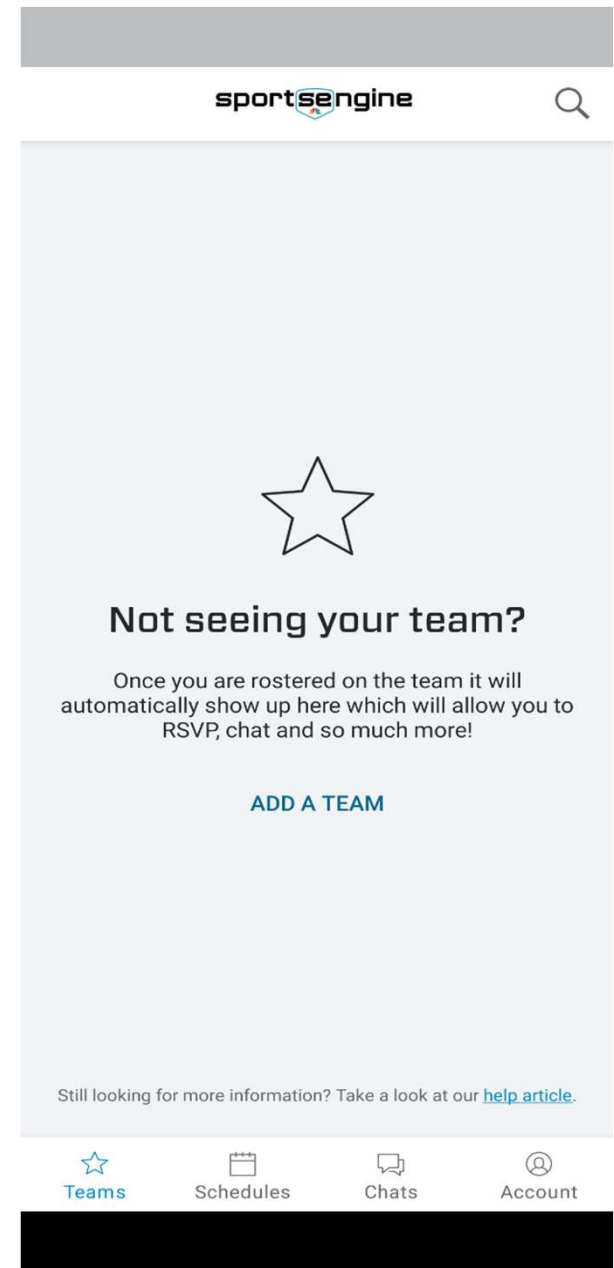
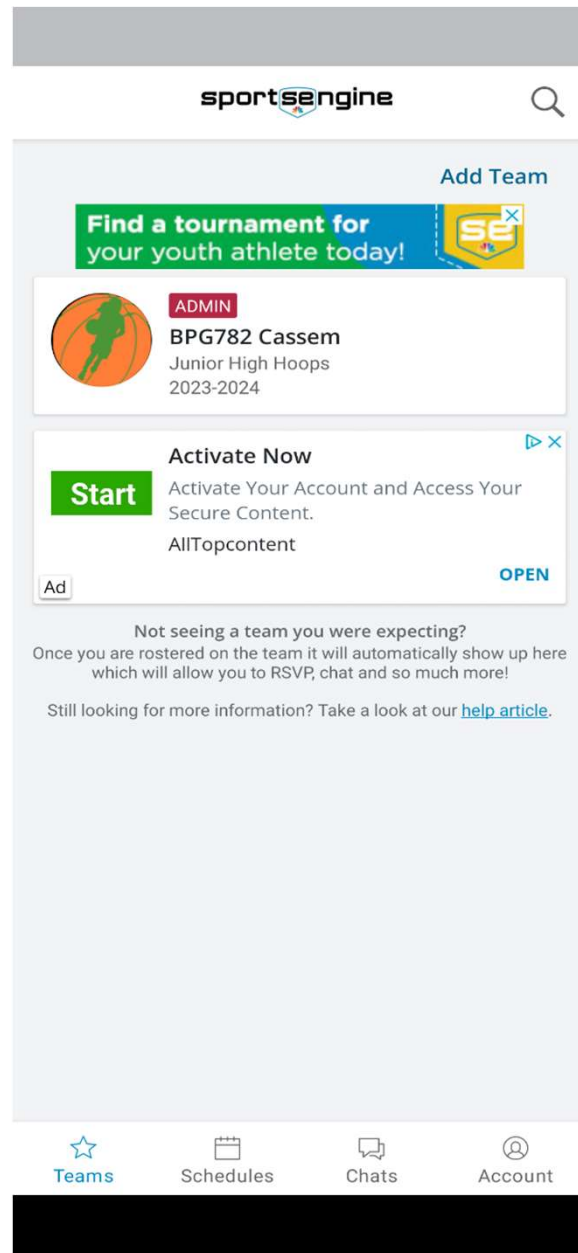
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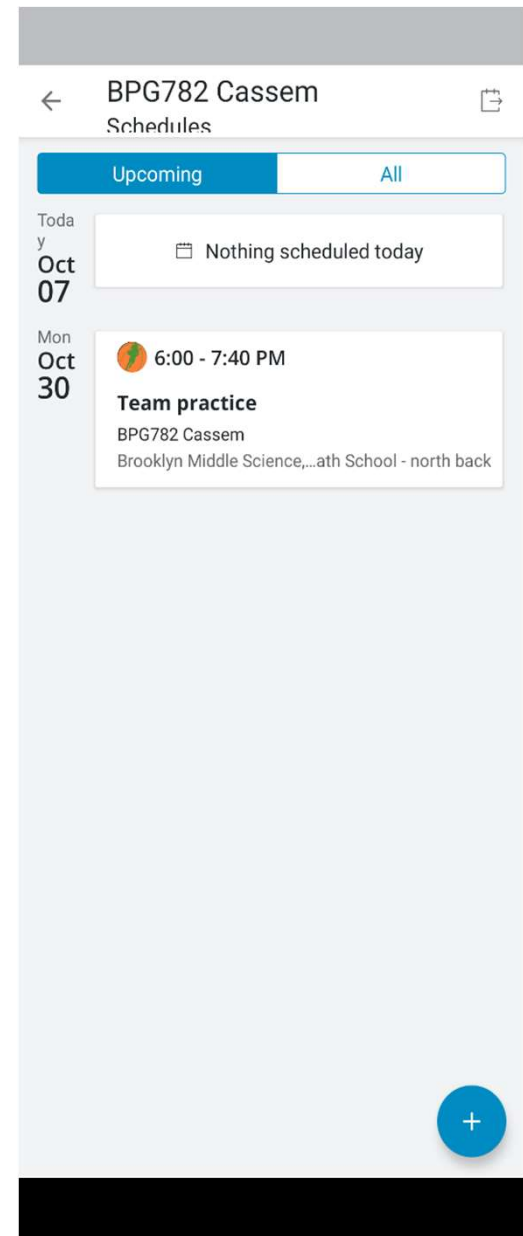
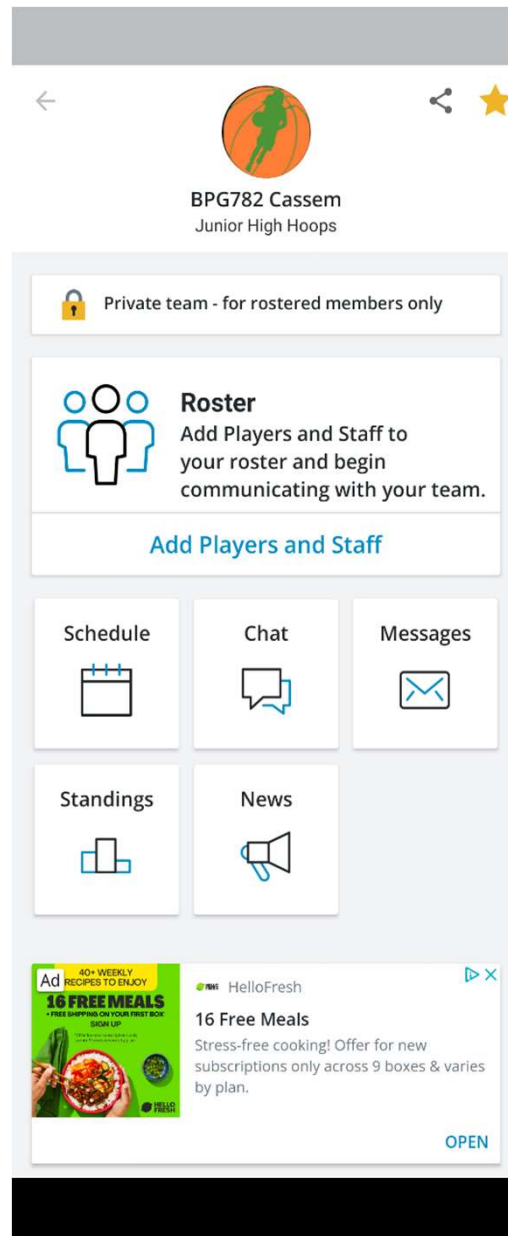
Sports Engine

- Download the app called Sports Engine from your play store.
- Practice and game schedules will be posted once teams are formed.
- Communicate with your coach! Chat function/Email function right from the app
- Add parent/guardians to your profile

Sports Engine Mobile App



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Winter / Cancellations

We follow the ISD #279 School District guidelines for school closures. In the event of bad weather, please check our website, or assume that practice/games have been called off when you see ISD#279 listed as cancelled.

Rest assured we are all over it, and will do our best to get a communication out to families as quickly as possible.

Newest division ~ Kindergarten

- Coaches training 11/26 CAC 6:30 pm
- Coach/Parent led program
- Meets Saturday mornings at Edinbrook (9:00 – 11:00 AM)
- 6 weeks of skills/practices/games
- 12/2 and 12/9 practice weeks for teams
- 12/16, 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3 will be skills/game days

Season timeline

- Elementary:
 - Coaches meeting will be 10/23
 - Practices start – week of 10/30
 - Prefer parents to stay for practice
 - Ensure two adults are present when dropping your child off for practice
 - Pick up your child on time – be respectful of coaches time
 - Offer to help your coach with practice
 - Picture night 11/6 or 11/9 – **BPCAC**
 - Games start – Friday December 1st
 - End of Season tournament – February 9th and 10th

Elementary Coaches Needed:

- K – 3
- 1/2B - 5
- 1/2G - 4
- 3B – 4 (no Head Coaches yet)
- 3/4G - 2
- 4B – 4 (no Head Coaches yet)
- 5B – 4 (no Head Coaches yet)

Season timeline

- Jr High:
 - Tryouts / Draft – 10/9 and 10/12
 - Practices start – week of 10/30
 - Jr high Coaches meeting Sunday 10/29
 - Picture night 11/6 or 11/9 – **BPCAC**
 - Games start – Saturday December 2nd
 - Holiday Classic tournament - Weekend of December 8th – 10th hosted by BPAA
 - Mid-season tournament – Weekend of January 19th – 21st hosted by OMGBA
 - End of season tournament – Weekend of February 23rd – 25th

Coaches needed:

- 5/6G - 2
- 6B - 2
- 7/8G - 1
- 7B - 2
- 8B - 2

Season timeline

- Sr high:
 - ◉ Tryouts / Draft – Saturday 12/2 @ Northview
 - ◉ Everyone makes a team!
 - ◉ Practices start – week of December 4th
 - ◉ Coaches meeting – December 5th
 - ◉ Picture night – Jan 3rd - BPCAC
 - ◉ Games start – Sunday January 7th
 - ◉ 3 on 3 – Weekend of Jan 20th - hosted by CDAA
 - ◉ Jamboree Weekend of February 2nd – 4th
 - ◉ End of season tournament – Weekend of March 1st – 3rd

Coaches Needed:

- 9B - 2
- 10B - 1
- 11B - 2
- 12B - 2
- 9/12G - 1

Social Media

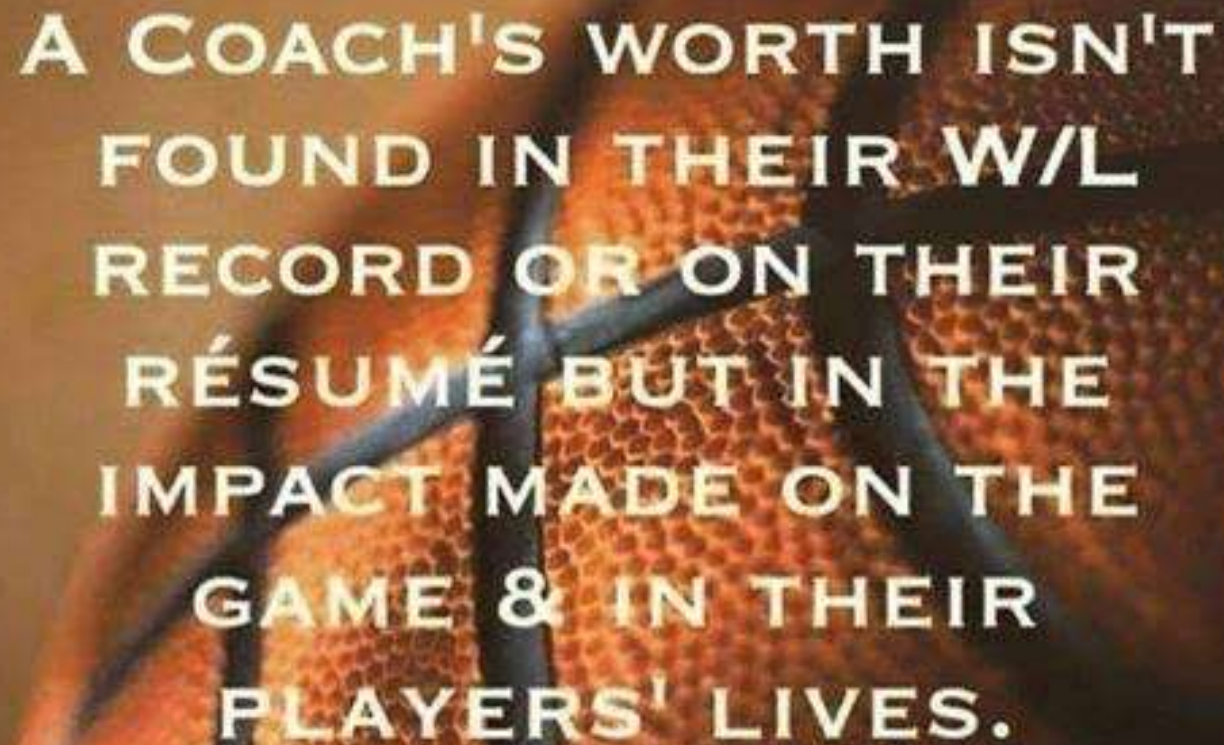
- Social Media is here to stay in our lives, but doesn't belong in basketball practice or games.
- Coaches inform their players to keep phones in their bags during practice and games – at all times
- Parents – please help encourage this policy

Volunteering

- 'DIBS' is the volunteer tool we use.
- This entire program can not exist without volunteers.
- Holiday Classic tournament has multiple sites and greatest need for help.

Reminders for everyone.....

- The coaches are volunteers.
- The refs are human.
 - Junior refs are learning
- The kids just want to play basketball.
- The kids just want encouragement from you.
- The kids just want to have fun.
- Winning isn't everything. Losing is an important life skill too.
- Please report any inappropriate behavior to BPAABasketball@gmail.com.



A COACH'S WORTH ISN'T
FOUND IN THEIR W/L
RECORD OR ON THEIR
RÉSUMÉ BUT IN THE
IMPACT MADE ON THE
GAME & IN THEIR
PLAYERS' LIVES.

Contact us!!

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- BPAABasketball@gmail.com – general inquiries
- BPAAvolunteers@gmail.com - volunteer related questions
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Thank you!!
Questions?