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## **Traveling Team Tryout Policy and Procedures**

### **Purpose:**

To impartially and fairly recommend and select boys and girls for the traveling teams, with the intent of forming the strongest teams possible among the tryout participants.

### **General Policies**

1. *No parent or other close relative may judge the tryouts in which a child or other close relative is participating.*
2. Parents or spectators will not be allowed to observe the tryout sessions.
3. Traveling team tryout dates will be published in the registration flyer, local paper, or on the Boosters Basketball web-page, for each of the two weeks prior to the week of tryouts.
4. Tryouts will be judged by at Selection Committee which shall include at least two (2) and no more than five (5) people per grade level.
5. Tryouts will consist of one session at a minimum of 45 minutes. A second session may be added, at the discretion of the BYBA Board.
6. The judges must be the same for both tryout sessions, if second session added. In the event that the judges cannot be the same, the substitution judge(s) should be selected with equal or greater knowledge of the game and not be in violation of Section 1 above.
7. During the tryouts, the evaluations should be written and be kept confidential. Evaluations will be held by the Traveling Director(s), unless the Traveling Director(s) has/have a child or close relative trying out. If the Traveling Director(s) is/are ineligible to hold the evaluations, the BYBA President or other BYBA Officer will hold the evaluations.
8. Evaluations are not public information, but can be reviewed by the Traveling Director(s), or a designated sub-committee of the BYBA.
9. Results of all tryouts shall be given to the SASB President or other SASB Officer and maintained for one full season.
10. In the event that 15 or more players tryout for a single team, a longer tryout session may be scheduled. This decision is at the discretion of the Selection Committee.



11. Results of the tryouts shall be posted on the basketball website within 36 hours following the last tryout for all teams. Only tryout numbers shall be posted by grade level.
12. Nothing should be done at the tryout session(s) that would indicate that a player made or didn't make a team.
13. Players who are not selected to a traveling team will be given an opportunity to play in the In-House Program.
14. If there are not enough players trying out for a team to make a competitive selection, the Selection Committee has the option of *a*) announcing and holding additional tryout sessions, or *b*) not forming a team, or *c*) forming a team with a combination of two grade levels, but only with the affirmative two-thirds vote of the BYBA.
15. In the event that 14c applies above, the following process will be used:
  - a.* If there are between 7 and 11 players between the two grades, a team can be formed without an additional tryout.
  - b.* If there are more than 11 players between the two grades, an additional tryout may be required.
16. No member of the Selection Committee may recruit, in any manner, any player to tryout for a team after the first tryout session begins.

### **Traveling Basketball Program Tryout Absence Policy**

In the case of an absence during traveling basketball tryout the following policy has been established to determine specifically what team a player would be assigned (limited to injury, illness, or other extreme circumstance):

1. The Traveling Director(s) must receive notice of the absence in writing prior to the first try out session which must include a doctor's note describing the injury, or note describing the reason for the absence.
2. If the player was scored as a top five (5) player in the previous year, he or she will be granted a spot on the same level team for the ensuing season.
3. If the player was not scored in the top five (5) the previous year, the player would be granted a spot on a Second or "B" team, if available.



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4. If a player's injury or illness would prevent him or her from participating until after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the ensuing year, he/she will be placed as the eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) player on the team, as long as there were not already eleven (11) players on the roster.
  
5. Any player found violating this policy by forgery or fraud will be released from the traveling basketball program for the remainder of the season.