



# CHAMPLIN PARK

## TRAVELING BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the difference between House League (CDAA or BPAA), Traveling Basketball, and AAU?

- House leagues (CDAA or BPAA) emphasize fun and equal participation for all players. Teams are composed of 8-10 players engaging in practices, skills events, games and the season-end tournament. Usually it includes one practice and one game per week from November - January.
- Traveling Basketball builds up players fundamentals with 2 practices a week plus 3+ games in 10 tournaments (younger teams may have less tournaments). Try outs are in early September, practices start in October, and tournaments are November - February/early March.
- AAU is for players looking to continue to elevate their game with 2 practices a week and 6-10 tournaments ~April through June. Players tryout for AAU teams of their choice regardless of where you live. Girls tryouts are mainly in August with a few in the spring. Boys tryouts are in the spring.

### Do you travel out of state?

- No, most games are played in the Twin Cities Metro area (e.g. Maple Grove, Mounds View). Some teams will opt for one out-of-town tournament to have a fun team bonding weekend in locations like Rochester, Alexandria, or Brainerd.

### Are there different levels of competitiveness?

- Yes, tournaments typically have A, B, and C levels to try to ensure players are competing against similarly skilled teams.
- Depending on the number of players registered for a grade, tryouts will determine each player's placement on the Navy (1st team), Silver (2nd team), White (3rd team), and more if needed.
- Then based on how the team is performing they will register for the tournament level which is a best fit

### Who is eligible to play for Champlin Park Traveling?

- Boys traveling is 3rd - 8th grade; girls' is typically 4th - 8th grade (some 3rd graders may play if it helps to fill out a team).
- All students who attend Jackson Middle School or an elementary school aligned to Champlin Park

(Champlin-Brooklyn Park Academy, Dayton Elementary, Evergreen Elementary, Monroe Elementary and Oxbow Creek Elementary) are eligible

- Per the [Minnesota Youth Basketball Association rules](#): Athletes attending a private/charter/magnet school may choose one of the options listed below.
  - Participate with the private/charter/magnet school that they attend.
  - Participate with the traveling basketball association where the school is located.
    - Example: If the private/charter/magnet school is located within the Brainerd HS attendance area, the athlete could choose to play with Brainerd Basketball Association.
  - Participate with the traveling basketball association where the athlete resides.
    - Example: If the athlete resides within the Brainerd HS attendance area, the athlete could choose to play with Brainerd.

For more information on Champlin Park Traveling Basketball visit us at [www.cptba.com](http://www.cptba.com)