

September 22nd , 2025 KHS Auditorium 6:30PM



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Please let us know if there is anything you need! Website: theKGBA.com

Why don't you join us????





- Welcome
- KGBA info
- Season Structure/Expectations
- Sponsorships
- Volunteers needed!
- Communication
- Uniforms & Apparel
- KGBA Events
- Questions





## Who is the KGBA?

- Booster club for girls basketball We support both Youth and High School programs.
- KGBA Focus Foster an environment for all young girls to learn the game of basketball by working to develop their skills and game play in addition to having fun.
- Open to all Girls from 3<sup>rd</sup> up who Resides in Kaukauna area school district or currently attends a KASD school
- KGBA is a Wisconsin 501 C3 Non Stock Corp.
- All **Volunteer** organization
- Volunteer Board & Coaches



#### So where does the registration and fundraising money go?

- Pays for: Youth Tournaments, Equipment, Referees & Coaching Supplies
- KGBA also supports the High School Program!
  - Examples Team warm-ups, fund tournaments, equipment support, etc.
- Registration fees cover **only approx. 15**% of the annual costs.
- KGBA subsidizes the remainder.
  - Fundraising, Hosting Leagues/Tourneys, Business Sponsorships.
- Financial assistance is available. Contact any board member if assistance is needed.





# Do you know? The KGBA....



- Provide a \$500 scholarship for further education for girls who play basketball through high school.
- We provide \$30/youth player on each team for a team building event.
- Subsidize 50% of the Summer and Pre-Season Fall Basketball Camps
- Pays for Season Kickoff Camp with Laken James
- KGBA supports HS teams, in past, but helping with scoreboards and shooting machines



#### KGBA – 2025-2026 Season Highlights



- Practices start in Middle of October
- Fundraising Calendar Raffle (10 per player)
- Player/Coach development day Sat 10/11
- Tournaments/Leagues start in November
  - Will be hosting 2 league days (11/8 & 12/6)
  - Hosting a 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Tourney on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Annual KGBA tourney on Jan 24th & 25th













#### PLAYER EXPECTATIONS



- Be prepared for practice/games
- Listen & Respect coaches & teammates
- Be a positive team player
- No bullying (includes social media)
- Learn new plays and be open to play new positions
- Do your homework! Good grades are important in life
- Have FUN! Enjoy the experience!



## PARENT EXPECTATIONS

- Be a positive role model
- Cheer positively
- Positively support KGBA in all ways
- Communicate/follow up with Coach/KGBA timely
- Volunteer for KGBA when scheduled
- Be respectful to Refs, Coaches, Players and Families.
- Encourage your child to work hard.







## PARENT EXPECTATIONS



There are only 6 words your child needs to hear from you after a game:

# I love to watch you play



## TEAM STRUCTURE - Overall Philosophy



- Promote the love for the game!
- We strive to enhance our youth basketball player's athleticism and skill (individual and team)
- Individual basketball skills are a priority and built upon as players move up the levels
- Team concepts and competition become more important towards the higher grade levels
- The coaching philosophy will be consistent with the High School Program to help all players be ready if they choose to play High School Basketball



# What to expect this season...

- Combination of League Games
  & Tournaments
  - League updates
- Schedules generally published the week of the play – coaches will communicate.
- Specific details to follow from coaches.



# General Grade level guidelines

May be altered by Head Coach with KGBA approval

## TEAM STRUCTURE – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade



#### Season

Mid-October through February

#### **Teams**

- Divided equally for the entire season
- Team selected after 3-4 practices based on equal skill-level & positional needs
- Equal playing time between all player as much as possible
- Teams may be divided and rotated on a weekly or biweekly to have players learn to play with all teammates
- At end of season, teams may be divided by ability for one or two events.

#### **Practices**

 Up to 2 practices per week; 1.5hr/practice

#### **Tournaments/Leagues**

 Min. 7 tournament and/or leagues per team.

## TEAM STRUCTURE – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Season

Mid-October through mid-March

#### **Teams**

- Divided equally for October-December and will rotate players between teams
- Divided A/B structure January-February
- The coaches will evaluate the players in October and then re-evaluate the players at the end of December.
- The "A/B" teams can start practicing at the conclusion of the last tournament in December within the grade



#### **Practices**

Up to 2 practices per week;1.5hr/practice

#### **Tournaments/Leagues**

- Min. 8 tournament and/or leagues per team
- 4 tournaments/leagues should be scheduled in Nov/Dec as "split" teams & 4 in Jan/Feb/March as "A/B" teams.

### TEAM STRUCTURE – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### KAUKAUNA GIRLS BELIEVE & ACHIEVE

#### Season

Mid-October through March

#### **Teams**

- The teams will be split into an A/B structure for the season.
- The first 2 to 3 weeks of practices will be used as a try-out to evaluate players prior to selection of teams.
- Coaches may rotate players between teams based on evaluations of the players throughout the season.

#### **Practices**

Up to 2 practices per week;1.5hr/practice

#### **Tournaments/Leagues**

Min. 10 tournament and/or leagues

#### A Little More on the Selection Process



#### Team Selection / Team Splits

- 1. Players will be evaluated by their grade level coaches based on their skills, attitude, attendance, teamwork, effort, and work ethic. The coaching committee may opt to have outside evaluators as well.
- 2. At the beginning of the season when teams are equally split, it may be difficult to evaluate all players in the practice environment. Therefore, coaches will be rotating players but will keep teams evenly split as possible.
- 3. If parents / players have concerns related to team splits, the following slide provide the process for resolution of your concern.
- All questions related to this process should be directed to any member of KGBA Coaching Committee:
  - Lead Emily Hennes
  - Members Tim Lensmire, Ryan Reader, Emily Hennes, Rich Steif and Rob H.

### KGBA Team or Coaching Issue



KGBA would love that there are never any issues with players, teams and/or coaches but sometimes they do occur. The following would be the preferred communication protocol

- The Issue should be resolved between the Player / Parent and the coach first. Any major concerns will not be discussed in a public setting.
- 2. All Discussions will be held in an adult and professional manner no sooner than 24 hours after the incident in question.
- 3. If a parent/coach meeting is necessary, contact (i.e. face-to-face, phone calls, or emails) will be made and answered in a timely fashion. Issues will not be held until after the season.
- If after good faith attempt to resolve a conflict with the coach has failed, the issue will be referred to the KGBA Coaching Committee and/or KGBA Board
- 5. Issues can be raised directly to KGBA Coaching Committee and/or KGBA Board, but this should be in rare instances. KGBA prefers that the issue be discussed with Coaches first but understands this may not be able to occur in all situations.











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# Past KGBA SPONSORSHIPS

Contact any board member if you or the company you work for might be interested in sponsoring and advertising with the KGBA!

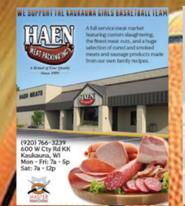














## PARENT VOLUNTEERISM



- We are Successful because of YOU!
- Looking for more board members!!!
- KGBA will be looking for help with:
  - Parent Rep for each Team
  - 2 Home Tournaments (Nov. 9th and Jan. 24th & 25th): Concessions and Admissions Schedule
  - Hosting league days (November 8<sup>th</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup>)

Your Involvement is necessary and matters! Thank you.









- 1. Update your grade level with information the coaches or the KGBA need relayed.
- 2. Arrange your grade's team building activity.
- 3. Ensure all families volunteer to help work either the concession stands, admission table and/or set-up/breakdown.

## KGBA COMMUNICATIONS



**SportsEngine:** Please update any email changes you may have via the website. This will allow us to keep our contact list up to date

Website: www.thekgba.com



## **APPAREL & UNIFORMS**



## **Uniforms**

- Grades 3-8 all wear the same uniforms.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade players will order new uniforms
- All grade levels will be able to order new uniforms if the previous year's is too small
- https://kaukaunagirlsbball2025.itemorder.com/shop/sale/

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## **Apparel**

- Kaukauna Girls High School Basketball Apparel
- https://kaukaunagirlsbkb-25.itemorder.com/

## **Apparel**



#### **Spirit Apparel**

Spirit Apparel will be available to order via our website's online store

- Other fun KGBA apparel
- Anyone can order even non-KGBA families (great gift ideas for grandparents)
- All orders will need to be placed by TBD
- Cooney Embroidery and sportswear 920-731-0922
  - 756 W. Northland Ave.
  - · Appleton, WI 54914
  - Hours M/T/W/TH 8:30 AM to 5 PM
  - Friday 8:30 AM to 1 PM
  - questions can be directed to Ryan Reader SNC53353@gmail.com

## KGBA End of Year Survey / Feedback



KGBA would like to thank all KGBA families that completed the end of year survey from the 2024-2025 Season.

The KGBA Board has reviewed all the feedback from families to help improve the program to make it a better experience for everyone. As a result, KGBA will be focusing on the following Top 3 items identified in the survey this upcoming season.

- 1. Playing Time for KGBA Players
- 2. KGBA Club Communication
- 3. Drills and Skills Development of KGBA Players

#### KGBA Scheduled Events



KGBA Kick-Off Basketball Camp – October 11th

Heart of the Valley League (Host) – November 8th and December 6th

KGBA Ghost Fall Shootout – November 9<sup>th</sup> (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teams)

KGBA Media Day – November 15<sup>th</sup>

1st High School Home Game and KGBA/HS Group Picture – November 25th

KGBA Kaukauna Ghost Classic – January 24th and January 25th

KGBA Home Game Events – To Be Determined [In process of being finalized]





Thank You for joining KGBA!!