

Osseo Maple Grove Basketball Association

House League Draft Procedure

I. Purpose

The purpose of these guidelines is to establish a uniform process to draft players on house league teams with the result being that those teams are as equal as possible. Players will not be able to request to play with friends or for specific coaches.

II. Draft Guidelines

- A. The draft will be facilitated by the grade coordinator and overseen by the Commissioner.
- B. The players will be lined-up by height and assigned a pre-numbered jersey. The lower numbers will be given to the smaller players. The Coordinator is responsible for keeping the master list of all participants and their jersey number. Coaches should have a coach's draft form and pencil to record their own information on each player during the draft. Both head and assistant coach can participate in the player review process.
- C. Each session will be conducted in the same manner. Players will be demonstrating their skills in a variety of drills and scrimmages. Each player should be given an equal amount of time to demonstrate their skills.
- D. The draft should, at a minimum, consist of the following:
 - i. Dribble Relay – to demonstrate ball handling skills
 - ii. Right & lefthanded lay-ups – grouped by number at each basket
 - iii. Outside Shooting – grouped by number at each basket
 - iv. 3 on 3 games at each basket – to demonstrate off. and def. ability
 - v. 5 on 5 using full courts – to show speed and transition play
- E. At the completion of the drills and scrimmages, players will line up in number order and take off their jerseys. Make sure all numbered jerseys are there before dismissing players. The players will be asked to leave the gym prior to the selection draft. Parents should be notified that the coaches will be calling each of their players shortly after the conclusion of the team selection.
- F. Although the Osseo Maple Grove Basketball Association does not prohibit parents from observing the draft, we strongly recommend, for the comfort of the players, that parents do not attend. If they choose to stay, they must remain silent and in the commons area.

III. Participation Required

- A. All players that are registered and interested in playing house league basketball are strongly encouraged to participate in the draft.
- B. If for some reason, a player is not able to attend the draft, they will be drafted in alphabetical order once all participants have been drafted. There is to be no exception to this rule!
- C. The head coach's player and the assistant coaches player should not participate in the draft. If they chose to, they cannot wear a numbered pinnie. **Head coaches are only allowed 1 assistant and that assistant coach must be chosen prior to draft day.**

IV. The Draft

- A. Only one coach will be allowed to participate in the actual drafting of the players. Assistant coaches can not be in the room.
- B. Numbers are drawn by all coaches. If coach's kid and their assistant's kid would like to participate in the draft, that is fine but they do not wear a pre-numbered jersey.
- C. All head coaches must select their child with their 3rd pick. If the head coach has an assistant coach, that child should be picked with the 4th pick. If there is a coach without a child in the program, they can have any 3rd pick. If a coach does not have an assistant coach, they can pick anyone in the 4th round.
- D. For a group of ten teams, picking will go 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 1, 2, and so on until all participants have been selected. After that point, players not present at the draft will be assigned to teams in order by last name.
- E. Twins that have requested to play together will require a coach to use two consecutive picks. If one is picked 6th, the other is the 7th pick for that coach.
- F. **There will be no trading of players.** Requests to keep players together for carpooling or any other reason will not be accepted.

V. Record Keeping Requirements

- A. The coordinator will keep the master list and will check off players as they are drafted. The coordinator will also assign all players not present at the draft to teams.
- B. Each coach is required to fill out the Coaches Draft - Team Roster form with names AND jersey information during the draft. The coordinator will provide contact information after the draft for each player. Each coach should then take a photo of this form and turn it into the coordinator.
- C. All coaches are required to contact each of their players the evening of the draft.