

Good evening,

Thank you for signing up your sons for the Pine-Richland Youth Basketball program through the PRYC! Below you will find general information to help start the season with more details to come.

My name is Megan Narcisi, and I am helping to coordinate the 5th/6th grade boys program. If you have any questions, concerns, or alternative email addresses for communication, please feel free to email, call, or text me at this address or 724-396-6525, and I'll do my best to get back to you as quickly as possible. Anything I cannot answer for you can be forwarded to Lisa Finn (lfinn@pryc.org) or Larry Bracco (lbracco@pryc.org).

The main purpose of the program is to build strong fundamentals for the game as well as to have fun. Sessions will be held every Tuesday and Thursday, starting on November 16 and running through February 24.

From the first session on November 16 through December 2, players will be evaluated by the volunteer coaches to help devise teams of equal abilities. The coaches will then meet from 8-9 p.m. on December 2 to draft the teams.

After the December 2 skills clinic, you will be notified of your son's team and further details regarding the remaining schedule for team practices/games. I'm going to do my best to try to give each team just one later session per week (8-9 p.m.), but things don't always work out this easily. Please be patient...

PLEASE HELP!!! All gym times are scheduled provided we have coaches committed to helping. I have emailed everyone who expressed interest. Please email me tomorrow if you are willing

and able to coach. This is a parent-run program. We need you! As of now, we have only 4 parents who have volunteered to coach/assistant coach, and we have enough boys participating to

house at least 6 teams.

While coaches do need PA Child Abuse and Criminal Record Clearances, these are easily obtainable and free of charge through the volunteer tab. Lisa Finn (see email address above) can help walk you through the process, if need be.

The general rules and league highlights may be found via the PRYB website: <https://www.pryc.org/pryb>.

GYM TIME: Practices and games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. (time range) See Schedule Below.

SITE: Wexford Elementary (250 Brown Rd, Wexford, PA 15090)- Side Gym Door, Drop Off and Pick Up. A parent volunteer or coach will be at the door to greet players so they'll know where to go. These doors must be always locked. We cannot simply leave or prop the door open. Not only is leaving the door open unsafe but may cause additional costs to you since the youth center may have to hire a custodian to man the door.

NOTES and SCHEDULE:

*If they do not already have one, the boys will need a reversible green-and-white jersey for the season, which can be purchased at the PRYC office at 5554 Community Center Drive, Gibsonia for \$20 on a first come/first served basis starting tomorrow. Also, players should have a size 28.5 basketball, a good pair of basketball shoes (to be worn inside only), and a water bottle.

Please keep in mind, all practices are closed-gym/no parents or spectators. Please be prompt at arrival and pick up. **Again, parents cannot stay.

*****There will be no sessions held when school is closed, including snow days, and there will be no practice on November 25 and December 28 due to Thanksgiving/Winter Break.**

November 16th

Last Names A-K, 6-7:30PM, Open Gym

Last Names L-Z, 7:30PM-9PM, Open Gym

November 18th

L-Z, 6-7:30PM

A-K, 7:30-9PM

November 23rd

A-K, 6-7:30PM Open Gym

L-Z, 7:30PM-9PM Open Gym

November 25th – Happy Thanksgiving, No Gym

November 30th

L-Z, 6-7:30PM

A-K, 7:30-9PM

****December 2nd: Please notice shortened practices (so coaches can conduct draft)**

A-K, 6-7 PM

L-Z, 7-8PM

Thanks again for participating in the league. We are looking forward to starting a fun season!

Sincerely,

Megan