

SOUTHERN WISCONSIN BASKETBALL LEAGUE

We are excited to start our second season of youth basketball in Southern Wisconsin. The SWBL had a great inaugural season as we had over 50 communities represented and almost 200 individual teams.

We fully expect to have close to 80+ communities represented this Fall with over 500 individual teams.

Website Address: www.swblonline.com

[\(Look Under Rules/Enrollment Instructions\)](#)

The **League Directors** are long time Richland Center Varsity Girls Coach Steve Board and Richland Center Travelling Basketball Coach Robby Anderson. Coach Board has an extensive resume in the area of coaching Varsity Girls Basketball, running basketball leagues, running an AAU program and tournaments. Robby has coached in the Great Northwest League for 5 seasons and the Southern Wisconsin Basketball League for 1 season.

Grades 4/5th - 8th (Boys and Girls). 4th and 5th Grades are combined into one division, while all other divisions will have a separate division for each grade and gender.

Tournaments Start at 9:00 a.m. and will usually be over by 6:00 p.m.

All Tournaments are 3 (some may have a 4) game guarantees. Exceptions to this would be if a team does not show up for a scheduled event due to inclement weather.

All scores will be posted on our website two days after a tournament has been played. Your team computer rating will be updated on a weekly basis.

Administration time spent by your Coaches will be decreased dramatically with all functions entered directly into the website.

What Players, Coaches and Parents Want:

- Make money on home tournaments to support their youth program, with a full number of teams entered
- Be able to host whether a community has only 1 court or as many as 6 courts.

- Minimize travel
- Play teams close to their competition level
- Avoid the drastic shifts of games decided by 30-40 points every weekend
- Play a lot of different teams (not the same team 4-6 times per year)
- Know your schedule Months in advance
- Let someone else schedule my tournaments dates, games and courts
- Same rules each tournament
- Same admission amount each tournament
- Addresses and directions to all courts
- A website that details everything
- A league that gives computerized team ratings
- An opportunity to play for a league championship
- Write one check per community, or maybe write no checks at all if hosting enough

What we are doing now:

SWBL Directors manage the supply and demand to push each tournament to capacity. Filled tournaments will increase your concessions, admissions and give you SWBL tournament credits. Each School will handle concessions, score keepers, admissions and facilities. Admissions are standardized to \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and Free for under 12. You will make money on your tournaments while also earning host credits for SWBL tournaments that you travel to. **All of the concessions and entry fees go to the Host team.**

There are approximately 14 weeks in the travelling basketball season (December 3rd, 2011 - March 18th, 2012) with a few weeks off for the Holidays and Deer Hunting. In these 14 weeks, each community has a number of dates that their facility is available. In these 14 weeks, each team has a number of dates that they cannot play because of various reasons.

We have **computerized scheduling software** to assure that each tournament is as close to full as possible. If there are any open dates, they will be posted on our website for everyone to see.

All of your tournament results are posted on our website for all teams to review. This is a great way for Varsity Coaches to stay updated on their youth program

Rosters are submitted one time, on line. Each team will be issued a password and a user id. This entire process will take about 5-10 minutes. This eliminates the current system where a form is filled out for every tournament and then a roster has to be submitted at each scoring table.

Programs and Scoresheets: Once those rosters are entered into the website, host schools print out scoresheets with the roster information pre-filled in. Each coach can check their starters and play. We also provide roster-programs for fans at each event.

CONGRATS TO OUR 2010-2011 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Boys

8th Grade – Cuba City (Coach Jim Boebel)

7th Grade – Hillsboro (Coach Joe Stanek)

6th Grade – Platteville (Coach Bart Nies)

5th Grade – Belleville White (Coach Eric Shrader)

Girls

8th Grade – Cuba City (Coach Katie Wallenhorst)

7th Grade – Prairie du Chien (Coach Mike Trautsch)

6th Grade – Barneveld (Coach Kathleen Murphy)

5th Grade – Benton (Coach Lisa Lawrence)

