

Dear Parent:

I am inviting your son to participate on a competitive basketball team that will practice and play tournaments October thru early April. The goal is to provide a competitive place to play basketball into High School. The cost to participate will start at \$150 (May require more depending on number of players, number of teams, number of tournaments and tournament cost). I would like to limit the number of kids but we will see the level of interest. We will try to have each player play in 7 tournaments. (To allow for maximum playing time we will be only taking 7 or 8 players to a tournament at a time. It was very difficult for me to keep up during a game with who has played who hasn't etc. So in order to help with this I am reducing the number taken to 7 or 8 players.) So expect a rotating roster for the tournaments. Please note this rotation will not be even. Some players will play in more tournaments than others but everyone will get at least 7 tournaments (Weather Cancellations withstanding). If I get more players asking to play then we will look to split into an_A and B Team. With some players moving between the two teams. It is not my intention to omit anyone but I am trying to contact the players where parents have spoken to me about playing competitively or coaches have made suggestions or players that have shown an interest in playing (attending camps, playing aaU basketball, 3 on 3 tournaments etc) and would benefit from playing more competitively. If you are interested in having your son participate and feel your son is ready for this level and would benefit from playing competitively please contact me. If you are not interested please let me know as soon as possible, so that I can offer this opportunity to someone else that maybe is interested. I realize this may not be for everyone so please do not feel bad about turning this down. This team is not linked to Western Christian High School or its basketball programs or coaches in any way; other than the fact that some of the kids may end up going to high school there. I will be having at around 20+ practices. I am looking at using these various locations. This cost has not been included in the entry fee.

1. First Reformed Church Gym – Free if Available.
2. Western Christian High School – Free if Available.
3. Dordt Rec Center – (Each player must pay \$5 or have a pass to the rec center(\$160?))
4. Sheldon Christian School – (\$15 if Mediema's or Granstra's Reserve it)
5. Hull Community Center – I think the cost is \$35 to rent this.

We will do what ever is available and relatively in-expensive. With the physical developmental difference between 7th and 8th we probably will enter mostly 7th grade tournaments (Maybe a few 8th or 7th/8th grade tournaments). We will try to find competitive tournaments to play in. As you can see I have more than 7 tournaments listed in order to get everyone at least 7 tournaments. Please let me know ahead of time if there is a tournament you can not attend. I will then try to switch with someone. The closer to the tournament date this happens, the more difficult it becomes to switch with someone as people often make plans. So please keep this in mind. Late notice may mean forfeiting a tournament for your son.

With high school, church and grade school activities the schedule will have to be fairly dynamic to accommodate for conflicts. As I do not regularly check the schedule at your local school or church please keep me up to date on potential scheduling problems.

We do not intend to conflict with or take the place of your local Christian school AAU basketball team and/or the local Christian School Junior High Basketball team but provide an additional place to play competitively. The local Christian school Junior High Team and/or local Christian School AAU team should take precedent with regards to attending practice and tournaments. I do schedule well in advance and enter tournaments early. If everything goes well, we will continue to do this during the 8th grade year. We will try and schedule around 7th and 8th grade school practices and games. This year I will invite more players to come practice with us.

The schedule can be found on the internet and will be updated on an on going basis. <http://www.mtcnet.net/~vanlingn/aaubb.htm>. Click the Tournament Team Schedule button under the 7th boys Section. Also, please let me know if you as parents have any questions or if you would also like to participate in some form. I look forward to working with your son! Parents please be on time when picking up your son after practice is done. I often have a meeting or other practices to attend after the boys are done. Please check the schedule regularly as times and locations may change.

Thanks

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"Success is not about talent, it's about commitment."

Type	Date	Day	Time	Location	Type	Date	Day	Time	Location
Practice	Oct 19	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Jan 8</u>	Sat	-	Hartley Tournament?
Practice	Oct 21	Thur	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	<u>Jan 13</u>	Thurs	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Tournament? or Practice	Oct 23	Sat	1:00 pm	First Reformed or Harrisburg	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Jan 15</u>	Sat	-	Hull or Inwood
Practice	Oct 25	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Tournament	Jan 22	Sat	-	MOC Tournament
Practice	Oct 28	Thur	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Jan 27	Thur	4:30 - 5:45 pm	First Reformed
Tournament? or Practice	Oct 30-31	Sat	1:00 pm	First Reformed or Harrisburg	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Jan 29</u>	Sat	-	Hartley/St Micheals Tournamentn
Practice	Nov 2	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Feb 3	Thur	4:30 - 5:45 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Nov 4	Thur	6:30 pm	First Reformed	<u>Tournament</u>	Feb 5	Sat	-	South O Brien
<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Nov 6 Sat</u>	-	-	Sergeant Bluff	Practice	Feb 10	Thur	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Nov 9	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	<u>Tournament???</u>	Feb 12	Sat	-	Akron/Spirit Lake??
Tournament?/Practice	Nov 13	Sat	-	Harrisburg SD-State Volleyball??	Practice	Feb 15	Tues	4:45 - 6:15 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Nov 16	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Feb 22	Tues	4:45 - 6:15 pm	First Reformed
<u>Tournament</u>	Nov 20	-	-	Brandon or Presidents Bowl-	Practice	Mar 1	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Nov 23	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Tournament	<i>Mar 4-5</i>	<i>Sat</i>	-	<i>Rock Valley or Lemars Gehlen Tournament</i>
Practice?	Nov 27	Sat	-	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 7	Mon	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Nov 30	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 8	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Tournament	<i>Dec 4</i>	<i>Sat</i>	-	West Sioux Tournament	Tournament?	<u>Mar 11-12</u>	Sat	-	Sioux Falls/Sibley
Practice	<i>Dec 11</i>	<i>Sat</i>	-	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 15	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Dec 13	Mon	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 17	Thur	6:30 pm	First Reformed
<u>Tournament</u>	Dec 18	Sat	-	Central Lyon or SBL	Tournament	Mar 19	Sat	-	Sioux Center
<u>Practice</u>	Dec 20	Mon	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 22	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Practice	Dec 28	Tues	6:30 pm	First Reformed	Practice	Mar 24	Thurs	6:30 pm	First Reformed
Tournament	Jan 1	Sat	-	Inwood 7th or West Lyon 7th or Lemars	Tournament	Mar 25-26	-	-	Sioux Falls
Practice	Jan 3	Mon	4:30-5:15 pm	First Reformed					

7th Grade W-Pack Basketball Team Entry Form

Instructions: Fill in the rest of the entry form with the medial release form. Add Jersey if required.

Checks can be made payable to Jeff Van Lingen. Please let me know by email by Sept 19 if you plan to participate. Money must be to me by Sept 25. I will begin entering tournaments as soon as they become open.

\$150 – This does not include the cost of a Reversible Jersey for games. Add \$30 if a jersey needs to be ordered

Participants Name: _____ **Shirt Size:** _____ (Please Order the Shirt larger then your son needs. Shirts can be sewn up to make then fit better and then let out as needed. This will allow for use for the next few years. If your son needs a larger shirt in a year or two you will have to purchase another one at that time.)

Jersey Number: 1st Choice _____ **2ND Choice:** _____ **3rd Choice:** _____
 (Valid Numbers are 00 to 05, 10 to 15, 20 to 25, 30 to 35, 40 to 45 and 50 to 55. Numbers will be handed out on a first come basis. Note Some Numbers are Taken Already.) If you do not write a number down one will be assigned.

Participants Name: _____ **Parent/Guardian:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone #:** _____

Email: _____

Player Weight: _____ **Lbs** **Date of Birth:** _____ **Grade:** _____ **Height:** _____

Parents Signature: _____ **will allow the posting of my sons name and pictures to our web site.**
 Web Site: <http://www.mtcnet.net/~vanlingn/aaubb.htm>

As a parent/guardian of the above named participant of 7th grade Christian basketball team, I hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations set up by the 7th grade Christian basketball team. I further agree to accept complete responsibility in matters of physical injury or loss that might result from such participation in games, practices or travel to or from such activities. I further agree that in the event of such injury or loss, there shall be no liability on the part of the Sioux Center Christian School, Coaches, team volunteers or any of the sponsoring bodies associated with the sponsorship of this activity.

7th Grade Christian Basketball Team Medical Release/Liability Waiver Form

In the case of emergency, I authorize the 7th Grade Christian Basketball Team and/or volunteer coach to give permission for appropriate medical or surgical care for the above named player. In the event I cannot be reached, it is understood that a conscientious effort will be made to locate my child's emergency contact person or me.

<u>Order of Contact</u>	<u>Contact Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Number prefer Cell</u>
1			
2			
3			

Parents/Guardian Signature: _____

Doctor: _____

If you have any comments or concerns please feel free to contact me.