

Dear Parents,

Thank you for registering your child for tryouts. BTB wants to provide you with some information leading into our tryouts next week.

# Tryouts:

The tryout schedule can be viewed at:

## Bethel Travel Basketball - Tryout Schedule

Please attend at least one tryout but attending both sessions gives your child a better chance at impressing the evaluators. Tryouts will be conducted by our high school coaches and not by your child's travel coach. Your child will receive a number so these coaches can evaluate each player anonymously. At the end of tryouts, recommendations will be made on who makes the team, who will be offered a practice player position and who should potentially be cut. We will inform all families by Monday 10/22.

Please be at the gym at least 15 minutes before your tryout begins.

## **Practice Players:**

BTB is going to allow players to practice with the team for a \$75 fee. These players are not eligible for games but will attend practices throughout the season so they can work with the coaches and continue to improve their skills with goal they tryout and make the team next year.

## **Mandatory Parent Meeting:**

We are hosting a mandatory parent meeting on Monday 10/22 and Tuesday 10/23 at 7:30pm. You only need to attend one session. We will review our new BTB Guidelines & Purpose Statement, discuss season expectations of players, coaches & parents, provide additional background on the BTB organization and answer any questions you may have.

We have made changes to minimum playing time requirements, roster sizes and game management of rosters. You can review these at

Bethel Travel Basketball - Purpose Document

The two biggest changes are:

- 1. We have increased the minimum playing time requirement for the regular season and
- 2. We are allowing coaches the option to dress 10 players per game in order to manage substitutions better. Each player will be allotted the same amount of games.



#### Uniforms:

You will continue to use your travel uniform if you are returning player. For all new players, we will have sample uniforms so we can get your child's sizes during tryouts. We will also ask for their top 4 choices for uniform numbers.

#### Practice Schedule:

Coaches have already selected their practice times. Here is the link that shows you the days of times for each team. <u>Practice Schedule</u>

#### Payment:

If you accept a position on the team, you can pay online at <u>www.betheltravelbasketball.com</u>. Total fees are \$280. Uniform costs are extra and estimated at \$65 per uniform. Those are yours to keep.

Travel basketball is a big commitment. Practices will be up to 3 days a week (including Saturdays) in November and two days per week with up to 2 games per weekend starting in December.

Thank you again for your interest in BTB. Please reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

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