

# **Shelby League Basketball Guidelines**

## ***Format***

- I. The League will divide basketball into three divisions for both boys and girls. Those divisions will be 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and a combination of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. The league will host an end of the year tournament for all three divisions. If a school has 35 per gender per 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade they should expect to play in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade division.
- II. Division games shall be comprised of only those schools within your division. Tournament seeding will be based on your division record only.
- III. The schools shall play each other **twice**. However, if an agreement to play twice, the second game shall count toward overall record and tournament seeding. In the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade division each school should play each other twice.
- IV. You may play outside your division and these games do not count in seeding. **The total games any team should play twice in division and 2 tournaments. Teams should MAX at 24.**
- V. Team rosters should be set prior to the season. 8<sup>th</sup> graders cannot play on a 7<sup>th</sup> grade team. A 7<sup>th</sup> grader may play on an 8<sup>th</sup> grade team; but should be on that team all year.
- VI. Where possible, games between division schools shall alternate home and away.

## ***Rules***

- I. TSSAA and NFHS rules will be followed for both regular season and championship tournament play.
- II. The league shall employ a 20-point, no press rule. Once a 20-point lead is established, no full court pressure is allowed. This rule would include no half-court presses or traps. Once a 20-point lead is gained, the only defense by that team shall be straight zone and man-to-man.
- III. The league shall employ a 30-point, no press rule. Once a 30-point lead is established, no full court pressure, no half-court presses or traps is allowed. Once a 30-point lead is gained, the only defense shall be from within the 3-point arc.
- IV. Failure to comply to either league rule will result in the following:
  - a. First violation – warning
  - b. Second violation – 2 shot technical and ball
  - c. Third violation – Forfeit
- V. It is the responsibility of the administrator to see that the appropriate personnel, i.e. Coaches and officials are informed of the 20-point and 30-point rule.

### ***Officials and Assigning***

- I. Turn in your schedule by designated time and to assigning official.
- II. The Arbiter will be used this year.
- III. 2 officials will be assigned to each game. The official fee is \$40 per ref per game. Multiple games fees are adjusted.
- IV. Host school is responsible for paying official.
- V. Host school is responsible for providing a competent scorekeeper and clock operator.
- VI. Home team will wear white uniforms unless otherwise agreed to by the administrators.

### ***Tournament Play***

- I. Establish a site, date, time and director for the tournaments for A and B plus Combo divisions at the August Athletic Board (AD) meeting.
- II. A single elimination tournament for each division will be played at the end of the league season.
- III. Seeding will be determined by the team's league record. In case of a TIE, the school, which won in head-to-head competition, shall receive the higher seed. If a tie still exists, then a coin flip shall be used to determine higher seed. Coaches are responsible for getting their record to the tournament director by the established deadline.
- IV. Brackets, times and place for each tournament match should be made available to participating schools prior to the tournament.
- V. The top seeded team will be considered the home team.
- VI. Tournament price of \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. Shelby League and TSSAA passes will be accepted.
- VII. We will have warm-up times prior to each game, the length of which will be determined by the official. We will start each game as close to the scheduled time as possible.
- VIII. Host school will provide game balls and warm-up balls.

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