

2007 Charlie Brown/Lucy League Basketball
(revised 1/16/05)

Objectives:

1. To teach basic basketball fundamentals in a recreational environment (stress the skills of dribbling, passing, rebounding & shooting).
2. To teach the basic offenses and defenses (man to man, zones).
3. To teach players the positions (point guard, wing, high post, low post) and to present it in such a way that all participants understand.
4. To teach team concepts (get away from the one-man shows, spend time teaching the players that is about "us" and not "me").

Rules

1. All divisions will have 4 - 5 minute quarters with the clock stopping on dead balls. Free throws for fouls will be shot during the game with the clock stopped. Free throws will be awarded for fouls where shots are made (one free throw) and bonus situations (one and one). Teams will enter the bonus situation for team fouls 7 - 9 and upon reaching 10 fouls - 2 free throws will be awarded. Bonus situations are each half.
2. One time out per half will be allowed. Time outs not used do not carry over to the next half.
3. All field goals count 2 points. No 3 point field goals will be awarded.
4. A coin toss will decide who takes the ball out to start the game. Possession arrows will determine possessions for the remainder of the game.
5. The head coach will be allowed to stand in the coaching box unless the official deems it necessary that he/she be restricted to the bench.
6. One team is to provide a volunteer scorekeeper while the other team should provide a volunteer to run the clock.
7. No full-court pressing is allowed in any division at any time. During the game, half-court pressing is allowed by teams with less than a 15 point lead. Teams with a 15 point or greater lead will be required to play defense within the 3 pt. circle (if no 3 pt. circle exists, defense will be required to stay within the free throw lane).
8. Referees used must be registered with an approved officials association - either as active or inactive. Approved associations are TSSAA, MPSA or Metro Officials Association. If a referee holds membership in a different association - referee should contact league office with pertinent information regarding the association. That information will be reviewed by Board of Control and the association can possibly be added to the list of approved associations.
9. Consistent refereeing should occur. Referees will be instructed to let the players learn within reason and to call the game according to the level of play. As a general rule, fouls & violation will be called by referees especially when one team gains an advantage over the other. It should be

understood by all that the children are just learning the game so every violation will not and cannot be called. Every effort will be made to call violations that give one team an advantage over the other.

All referees will be paid the same amount per game – amount will be set by league office.

Uniforms

1. Uniforms should be kept very basic (t-shirt or singlet).
2. Uniforms should have a legal basketball number on the front and back (1-5,10-15,20-25,30-35,40-45,and 50-55). Teams should make every effort to make sure 2 players do not have the same jersey number – we will not penalize (by a technical foul) for having an illegal number since some schools use the same jerseys for multiple sports.
3. Every school should make an effort to have players in matching color shorts. P.E. shorts are acceptable in this league – once again – we will not penalize for having non-matching shorts.
4. Home schools should have some sort of singlets/pennies available in case both schools are wearing same jersey color.

First & second grade boys & girls

1. A 2-continuous quarter mandatory play rule exists for all players. Players must play each mandatory quarter in its entirety before they can be subbed out of the game. After a player has reached their individual 2-quarter minimum, they may be subbed in/out with other individuals who have also reached their 2-quarter minimum. (Can play 1/3 quarters or 2/4 quarters). All players should receive equal playing time for each game.
Certain players should not play all 4 quarters and others play only the required 2 quarters. Ideally, if 10 players are on the roster – each player plays an entire 2 quarters – if more/less than 10 – it is coaches responsibility to see that all play equal number of minutes.
2. Ball used is 25 inches .
3. Free throw line should be marked at 10 feet.
4. Each player will be allowed one free throw and one lay-up at halftime. Scoring one point for each shot made and the points being added to the game score. It is the responsibility of the coach to keep track of the points and report to the scorer's table before the 3rd quarter begins.

Third & fourth grade boys & girls

1. A 2-continuous quarter mandatory play rule exists for all players. Players must play each mandatory quarter in its entirety before they can be swapped out of the game. After a player has reached their individual 2-quarter minimum, they may be subbed in/out with other individuals who have also reached their 2-quarter minimum. (Can play 1/3 quarters or 2/4 quarters). Please see rule 1 for 1st/2nd grade above for clarification.
2. Ball used is 28.5 inches – girls high school basketball)
3. Free throw line should be marked at 12 feet.
4. Free throws and lay-ups made during half-time will not be counted toward your game score. Teams can shoot or rest during half-time.

In case of a tied score at the end of regulation, one 3- minute over time will be played. If still tied at the end of the overtime period, the game will end as “a tie”. Each team will receive one timeout during the extra period. (Time-outs do not carry over from the game if not used – so both teams just get one)

Summary

1. One of the purposes of this league is to introduce grades 1 -4 to the game of basketball – players should be taught the basics.
2. All players should be given an equal chance. 2 continuous quarters and/or EQUAL playing time is the rule for all divisions.
3. All players, coaches, parents & fans should have fun and appreciate the value of the league.
4. **Keep controversies to a minimum – athletic director for each site should be on site or have someone designated as a game administrator to handle any problem that should arise.**
5. Gym floors should be kept clean at all times and each playing site is responsible for having backboard and walls/stages properly padded. All sites should refer to the 2006-07 NFHS Basketball Rules book for the proper requirements for padding, spacing between playing floor and bleachers, etc. Any questions should be addressed through the site Principal/Pastor, Safety Coordinator and Diocesan Director of Risk Management.
6. Please refer to PAA handbook (all athletic directors have one) for specific rules re: student eligibility and such.
7. This league is for students in grades 1 – 4 only – no K.

