



## Christ King Basketball

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**TO:** Parents of Christ King School and Religious Education Students in the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and/or 8<sup>th</sup> Grades

**FROM:** John Callan, Basketball Coordinator

**DATE:** September 3, 2009

**SUBJECT:** **BASKETBALL REGISTRATION AND PLAYER EVALUATIONS**

It is time to register your children to play basketball for Christ King this upcoming season. You will find all of the necessary forms on the Christ King Parish website. They are: (1) a Sport Sign-up Form, (2) a Risk Acknowledgement and Consent to Participate Form, (3) a Student Athlete Medical Information and Emergency Consent Form, (4) a Physical Examination Form, (5) a Code of Conduct for Players and Parents form, (6) a Student Athlete Sportsmanship Pledge and (7) a Parent-Guardian Sportsmanship Pledge.

**If your child is interested in playing basketball for Christ King this upcoming season, and if you have not done so already, you will need to fill out and return the Sport Sign-up Form, and include a check for \$75 per child payable to “Christ King Athletics” in payment of your participation fee.**

If you cannot remember whether you previously registered your child to play basketball for Christ King this upcoming season, and/or whether you paid your \$75 participation fee, contact Membership Coordinator Kathryn Devine at [devine61227@sbcglobal.net](mailto:devine61227@sbcglobal.net) or (414) 258-3069, and she will be able to tell you.

If your child is also playing volleyball for Christ King this year, you do **not** need to return the Risk Acknowledgement and Consent to Participate Form, the Student Athlete Medical Information and Emergency Consent Form, the Code of Conduct for Players and Parents form, the Student Athlete Sportsmanship Pledge or the Parent-Guardian Sportsmanship Pledge. You would have already submitted those forms when you registered your child to play volleyball, and they remain in effect for the entire school year. However, if your child is not playing volleyball for Christ King this year, you do need to complete, sign and return the Risk Acknowledgement and Consent to Participate Form, the Student Athlete Medical Information and Emergency Consent Form, the Code of Conduct for Players and Parents form, the Student Athlete Sportsmanship Pledge and the Parent-Guardian Sportsmanship Pledge. Notice that the Code of Conduct for Players and Parents form and the Student Athlete Sportsmanship Pledge require both you and your child's signatures.

As for the Physical Examination Form, if you have previously submitted a Physical Examination Form based on a doctor's physical examination of your child that was performed on or after April 1, 2008, you do **not** need to submit an updated Physical Examination Form at this time. However, if this will be the first time your child will be participating in a sport at Christ King, or if the last report on file for your child is based on a doctor's physical

examination of your child that was performed before April 1, 2008, you need to have a doctor examine your child, and complete and sign the Physical Examination Form, and then you need to return the Form with your other forms. If you cannot remember the date of your child's last physical examination on file, again contact Kathryn and she will be able to tell you.

**Registration runs from September 14<sup>th</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>. During this period, you should drop off your forms and/or check in a specially designated box in the school office, or if it is more convenient, you can drop them off in a box that Kathryn will place on the front porch of her home at 2544 North 83<sup>rd</sup> Street. Except in the case of injury or illness, no refunds will be issued after September 30<sup>th</sup>.**

There will be one night of player evaluations for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, and two nights of player evaluations for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The number of boys and girls' teams we will field for each grade will depend on the number of boys and girls from such grade who sign up. In the case of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls, it has already been determined that if there are 12 or more girls signed up to play, we will have two teams; and if there are less than 12 girls signed up to play, we will have only one team.

If there are two or more 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys or girls' teams, the boys or girls will be divided in such a manner as to equalize the talent between such teams. However, it is anticipated that the boys and girls who played last year as 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be assigned to the same teams that they played on last year.

If there are two or more 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys or girls' teams, the boys or girls will be divided into A and B teams according to their talent. To be considered for the A team, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls must attend both nights of player evaluations. If a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade boy or girl does not wish to be considered for the A team, I ask that one of his or her parents call me and advise me of that fact prior to the first night of player evaluations. However, any 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade boy or girl who does not wish to be considered for the A team will still be expected to attend both nights of player evaluations.

**All player evaluations will be held in the Christ King gym. The schedule for player evaluations is as follows:**

Monday, November 9th		Tuesday, November 10th		Wednesday, November 11th	
5:00-5:55	8 <sup>th</sup> grade girls	5:00-5:55	7 <sup>th</sup> grade girls	5:00-5:55	7 <sup>th</sup> grade girls
6:00-6:55	5 <sup>th</sup> grade girls	6:00-6:55	6 <sup>th</sup> grade girls	6:00-6:55	7 <sup>th</sup> grade boys
7:00-7:55	5 <sup>th</sup> grade boys	7:00-7:55	6 <sup>th</sup> grade boys	7:00-7:55	8 <sup>th</sup> grade girls
8:00-8:55	8 <sup>th</sup> grade boys	8:00-8:55	7 <sup>th</sup> grade boys	8:00-8:55	8 <sup>th</sup> grade boys

**Please mark these dates and times on your calendar as there may not be another notice. If a child quits at any time after the beginning of player evaluations for his or her grade, the Athletic Committee reserves the right to administer various sanctions against the child and/or his or her parents including but not limited to (1) not allowing the student to**

**participate in other sports at Christ King, (2) not allowing the student's parents to coach at Christ King and (3) imposing a fine on the student's parents.**

Depending on how many teams there will be, the head coaches of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls' teams will be Mike Hodan, Dan Lenz and/or Dino Reyes; and the head coaches of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys' teams will be Chris Coffey, Bob Meuler and/or Tim Tarpey.

I will be the head coach of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls' team. Bret Barczak, Bob Hronek and Bill Rettko will be the head coaches of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys' teams.

On the condition that their daughters and sons are assigned to the A team, Mike Hodan will be the head coach of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' A team; Dan Lenz will be the head coach of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' A team; Chris Coffey will be the head coach of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' A team; and Mario Leonardelli will be the head coach of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' A team. The head coaches of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls' B teams will not be selected until after player evaluations.

Head coaches will be permitted to select up to two assistant coaches from a pool of approved candidates. The process for approving assistant coaching candidates has not yet been completed.

Historically, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee has prohibited any child from playing on two different teams in the same sport at the same time. However, starting this year, a child may play on both his or her parish team and a non-archdiocesan team in the same sport at the same time, provided that the child's first priority and commitment is to his or her parish team.

In general, the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teams will practice twice each week for one hour and 15 minutes each practice, and the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams (A and B) will practice twice each week for an hour and a half each practice. As soon as all of the boys or girls in a particular grade have been assigned to a team, the head coach will contact all of his or her players and advise them of the exact days and times their team will be practicing.

Based on past seasons, it is believed that the boys will play their league games on Saturday mornings and that the girls will play their league games on Saturday afternoons. In addition, each 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade team may enter up to three tournaments, and each 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade team may enter up to four tournaments (not counting the Padre Serra Tournament for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade A teams).

As a reminder, the Code of Conduct for Players and Parents form states that players are responsible for attending all practices and games, and that parents are responsible for providing or arranging transportation for their children to and from all practices and games. Notice that no distinction is made among teams of different grades, or between A and B teams within the same grade. This same level of commitment is expected from all players and parents across the board. I respectfully ask that you take your responsibility in this regard seriously, and that you encourage your child to do likewise.

Thank you.