



## Bernards Township Recreation 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Boys & Girls Travel Basketball Tryouts 2010 – 2011 Season



This is a competitive, traveling basketball league for boys and girls in grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> who are residents of Bernards Township. If selected, participants should expect to make a commitment to attend practices or games several times per week (including weekends). Considerable traveling will be involved. *Residents only.*

**TRYOUTS:** \$10 tryout fee. Participants must be registered by Friday, September 24th!!! It is important that you register in advance so we can better prepare for each tryout. Program Name: Travel Basketball. Tryouts will be held at William Annin Middle School according to the schedule below. Please bring a basketball (labeled with your name) and arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled tryout date/time for check in. Parents are NOT allowed into the gyms. Assessments will be made by a team of neutral evaluators selected by the Bernards Township Parks & Recreation Department. If a second tryout is needed it will be held either October 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>.

Date	Time	Grade/Gender	Location
Tuesday, September 28	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Girls 5 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
Wednesday, September 29	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Girls 6 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Boys 8 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
Thursday, September 30	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Girls 7 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
Monday, October 4	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Boys 5 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Boys 6 <sup>th</sup>	Old Gym/New Gym
Tuesday, October 5	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Boys 7 <sup>th</sup>	Old Gym/New Gym
Wednesday, October 6	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Girls 4 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Boys 4 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym
Thursday, October 7	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Girls 8 <sup>th</sup>	New Gym

**TEAM SELECTION:** Team rosters will be posted on [www.bernards.org](http://www.bernards.org) two business days after the completion of each tryout. Rosters will show assigned tryout numbers ONLY, so please remember your number. If your tryout number is listed, it indicates that you have made the team. Tryout results will determine the number of players for each age/grade category. The number of participants who attend tryouts will have no bearing on whether or not a team is formed.

**PRACTICES/GAMES:** Practices begin in November and games are played from December – March. Practices and home games will be held at Township’s public schools. Practices and games are scheduled 1-2 times per week and on weekends. Teams may also participate in up to two tournaments.

**LEAGUES:** Girls 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade teams and Boys 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will participate in the Garden State Basketball League with teams in Somerset, Middlesex, Union and Morris counties. Girls 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will participate in the Tri-County League with teams in Somerset, Morris, and Union counties.

**COST:** Include \$10 payment with your tryout registration form. Payment notices will be sent to those who are selected for a team. \$195 per player, due by October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**RECREATION BASKETBALL:** It is preferred that those who are selected to play travel basketball make a commitment to one team only although all participants regardless of tryout results are invited to register for our Recreation Basketball program. You must be registered for Recreation Basketball by October 22<sup>nd</sup> in order for the early payment to apply.

# YOUTH PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

*Complete one form per child, per program and submit one check per child, per program. This form cannot be used for the Summer Recreation Program.*

*Return to: Bernards Township Recreation, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920.*

***We DO NOT accept carpool, coach or schedule requests. Any registrations received with requests will be returned.***

**Program Title:** Travel Basketball Tryouts **Fee:** \$10.00 make checks payable to "Bernards Township"

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_ ft \_\_\_ in Birth date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School child attends: \_\_\_\_\_

	Father/Guardian	Mother/Guardian
<b>Name</b>		
<b>Home Phone #</b>		
<b>Work Phone #</b>		
<b>Cell Phone #</b>		
<b>Email</b>		

*Please provide information for an emergency contact (other than parent) We will always attempt to contact the parent/guardian first.*

	Emergency Contact	
<b>Name</b>		<b>Medical, physical, behavioral, or mental health conditions we should be aware of:</b>
<b>Home Phone #</b>		
<b>Cell Phone #</b>		

## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Coaches for Travel Basketball will be chosen after all teams are selected. A coaching inquiry form will be sent home to parent/guardians of participants who make the team, along with payment notices.

I hereby give permission for my child to participate in this program and give permission to provide emergency care as necessary for the well being of my child until such time as I may be contacted. I give permission for those individuals listed on this form to pick-up/release my child from the program. I agree that the Bernards Township Recreation Department shall not be held liable in the event of accident or injury resulting from participation in this activity. I grant the Bernards Township Recreation Department the right to use any and all photographs of myself or my child participating in a Department sponsored activity for future media promotion. I certify that I have read and understand the Recreation Department's registration, refund, youth sports and volunteer coach/coordinator policies.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**For office use only: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Ck. # \_\_\_\_\_ Received: \_\_\_\_\_**

### YOUTH SPORTS POLICIES

*The Bernards Township Recreation Department directly sponsors Girls Softball, Youth Basketball (Recreation & Travel) and Ant/Floor Hockey.*

The Bernards Township Recreation Department encourages equal participation, skill development, team work, good sportsmanship and having fun.

For Girls Softball, Recreation Basketball and Ant/Floor Hockey, league standings are not kept and awards are not distributed. All travel program uniforms must be returned.

Good sportsmanship is expected at all times. Gym supervisors and officials have the right to expel any coach, player, parent or spectator from the program for any act of misconduct, including heckling, use of foul language, and other unacceptable behavior. The Model Athletic Code of Conduct and Parent Code of Ethics will be distributed and explained at the beginning of each season to all coaches, parents and players.

Team assignments are made according to skill level first in an effort to maintain balanced teams. Other

factors may include the child's grade and the school they attend. Due to the overwhelming number of participants in our youth sports programs we cannot accept carpool, coach, team or schedule requests. Any registrations received with requests will be returned. We will not make changes to team rosters once they are assigned.

We realize conflicts in schedule will occur. A commitment to attend every team practice and game is greatly appreciated by teammates and coaches. However, whether or not a participant is able to attend all practices, they will receive an equal amount of playing time during games.

### VOLUNTEER COACHES & TEAM COORDINATORS

The number of teams and participants we can accommodate in a program depends on the number of volunteer coaches and coordinators. Parent participation is encouraged and appreciated.

We will assign one coach and one assistant coach per basketball and softball team and one team coordinator per hockey team.

All coaches, assistant coaches and team coordinators must complete an authorization for a sex-offender background check. Authorizations are kept on file and additional checks are conducted each year for those who continue to volunteer.

All coaches and assistant coaches for basketball and softball are required to have completed the Rutgers S.A.F.E.T.Y. Clinic (Sports Awareness for Educating Today's Youth). A three-hour safety orientation and training skills programs that provides partial civil immunity protection to volunteer coaches. Clinics are held in fall and spring for Recreation Department volunteers.