

# BUILDING CONNECTIONS CONFIDENCE & CHARACTER

STATELINE FAMILY YMCA



January 22—March 5  
(first practice : Week of Jan 10)  
End of Season Game:  
March 12 & March 13  
Saturdays 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Teams are formed by schools  
and/or school district each  
child attends (not by request)

**GRADE LEVEL  
BASKETBALL—Beloit**  
**Ages:** Grade 1 - 6th  
**Cost:** \$65 Members  
(YMCA & Boys & Girls Club Members)  
\$85 Non-Members  
Numbered NBA-themed  
Jersey for every player

Games are held at Stateline  
YMCA or Beloit Boys and Girls  
club  
Multiple child discount of \$10  
per child applied from same  
household.  
Contact: LaRon Lofton  
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llofton@statelineymca.org

**LIMITED SPACE—Registration Deadline: December 10, 2021**  
**(\$15 late fee if registered after 12/10)**

GRADE:  1 & 2 (Co-ed)  3 & 4 (Boys Only)  5 & 6 (Boys Only)

T-SHIRT SIZE: Youth or Adult  Small  Medium  Large  X- Large  XX-Large  
(Jersey's run small) (circle one)  
Shorts are NOT provided

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PARTICIPANT SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_  
GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

VOLUNTEER HEAD COACH  VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH COACH T-SHIRT SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_



## Stateline Family YMCA's Youth Sports Taskforce COMMITMENT TO CHARACTER



### Core Values

**Caring** – We expect athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to remain committed to their team, teammates, themselves, and the integrity of the sport while at practice, before, during, and after games, and at all times. Sports, at their core, are about commitment.

**Honesty** – We are dedicated to an equal and fair standard. This happens when athletes, coaches, officials, and parents are honest at all times. In the end, cheaters never win and winners never cheat.

**Respect** – We expect all athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to be treated with dignity at all times. The experience is the focus, not the outcome.

**Responsibility** – We hold athletes, coaches, officials, and parents responsible for their actions. It is vital that everyone is following the rules and conducting themselves with, Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility at all times.

### 4 Player Values

**Caring** – I will demonstrate caring to my sport and my teammates by practicing and playing to the best of my ability at all times.

**Honesty** – I will live out honesty by playing by the rules and don't complain to the officials.

**Respect** – I will be respectful to my teammates, the coaches, and the officials by treating them how I would like to be treated.

**Responsibility** – I understand that actions have consequences and I pledge to take accept the consequences for my actions at all times.

### 4 Coach Values

**Caring** – I will show my players I care by being prepared for practices and games.

**Honesty** – I demonstrate honesty by upholding the rules regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** – I will respect each player and strive to help players development individually and as a team. I will ensure that all players are respected by myself, teammates, and parents and ensuring everyone has equal opportunity to learn and develop is one of my most important role as a coach.

**Responsibility** – I understand the responsibility of being a coach and the impact my choices have on players and parents. I am a role model for all players and parents and I will not only follow the rules, I will uphold them at all times.

### 4 Parent Values

**Caring** – I will show my player that I care and support him/her by encouraging development both on and off the field /court.

**Honesty** – I will be a good role model for my player and their teammates by demonstrating honesty regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** – I will respect all players, teammates, coaches, and officials at all times and understand that this level of play is focused on fun, fair play, and development.

**Responsibility** – I understand that my player will demonstrate the same level of responsibility I have. Therefore, I will follow the rules and policies for the sport in which my player is participating in and will accept responsibility for my actions.



## **Basketball Important Dates**

November 15	Registration Begins
December 10	Registration Deadline
December 15	Mandatory Prospective Coaches Meeting 6 p.m. Beloit YMCA
December 29	All players should have received call from coach with team info
January 10	Grade level Teams <b>may</b> begin practice this week
January 22	Grade level games begin
March 12 & 13	Grade Level End of Season Tournament

## Frequently Asked Questions About YMCA Basketball Leagues

### What age groups does YMCA Girls Basketball serve?

Our Basketball Leagues are for players grades 1-6. Register your player by their current grade. **NO PLAYER IS ALLOWED TO PLAY UP OR DOWN AN AGE GROUP.**

### When does registration begin and where can I register?

Registration officially opens November 15. You can register Online at [www.statelineymca.org](http://www.statelineymca.org), at the Beloit YMCA, or the Roscoe YMCA. The registration deadline is December 10th. Any late registration will have an additional \$15 fee and will only be accepted if there is space available.

### What basketball programs are offered for each age group?

Grade Level Play: All players in grades 1-6 can expect to participate two times per week. Teams will meet and practice for the first 1 week before game play begins. The first eligible date that teams can have a practice is January 10th. The season officially kicks off on Saturday, January 22nd. All teams will play a minimum of 8 games.

**1ST/2ND GRADE**- All games will be officiated by 1-2 YMCA staff members. Games will be played on 8-foot rims and with a 27.5-inch basketball. There will be no score kept at this age level. Games will consist of two 18-minute halves. The referees will stop the game in 6-minute increments to allow for coaches to substitute players. This will allow maximum participation for each participant. All players must play at least 50 percent of the game and each player must sit out at least two 6-minute rotations throughout the game. There will be no end of season tournament for this age group. The season will conclude on March 12th and every participant will receive an award.

**3RD/4TH GRADE**- All games will be officiated by 1-2 WIAA or ISHA certified referees. Games will be played on regulation 10-foot rims and a 28.5 sized basketball will be used. Score will be kept at this age level. Games will consist of two 18-minute halves. The referees will stop the game in 6-minute increments to allow for coaches to substitute players. This will allow maximum participation for each participant. All players must play at least 50 percent of the game and each player must sit out at least two 6-minute rotations throughout the game. All teams will participate in a single elimination end of season tournament on March 12th & 13th. The teams who finish top 3 will all receive an award.

**5TH/6TH GRADE**- All games will be officiated by 1-2 WIAA or ISHA certified referees. Games will be played on regulation 10-foot rims and a 28.5-inch basketball will be used. Score will be kept at this age level. Games will consist of two 18-minute halves. The referees will stop the game in 6-minute increments to allow for coaches to substitute players. This will allow maximum participation for each participant. All players must play at least 50 percent of the game and each player must sit out at least two 6-minute rotations throughout the game. All teams will participate in a single elimination end of season tournament on March 12th & 13th. The teams who finish top 3 will all receive an award.

### **How do I determine my player's "league age"?**

For basketball, register your child based on the current grade your child is in on registration day. No player may move up or down a grade. Every player **MUST** play with their current grade level. Any parent caught doing this will have their child removed from the program.

### **Is my child on the same team he/she was last year?**

Not necessarily. Each child will be assigned to a new team from the previous year. **Teams will be formed by the school and/or school district your child attends. There will be NO draft or no requests.**

### **What do the programs cost?**

Grade Level Member- \$65

Grade Level Non-Member- \$85

There is a multiple child discount of \$10 per registrant for children signing up from the same household. This discount is not available for online registration; you will need to register in-person at the Beloit Ironworks or Roscoe YMCA to receive it.

Any late registration will have an additional \$15 fee and only be accepted if there is room.

### **Do you offer financial assistance?**

Yes! If you are in need of financial assistance, you may apply at the YMCA. To ensure that the paperwork is completed on time, we ask that the financial assistance paperwork is in by **November 29th**. To be granted financial assistance we will need the previous year's tax form (1040), or a letter of non-filing, 1 month of paystubs, and all federal and state aid you receive (S.S.I., Food Share, etc.)

### **What does the player fee cover?**

Each player's fee covers only a portion of the expenses we incur to operate our leagues (team equipment, uniforms, referees, building rental, janitorial services, insurance, etc.). We cover the rest of our operating expenses with support from a combination of sources including donors and team sponsors.

### **Does my player need to buy any equipment to play?**

The YMCA supplies all our teams with the practice equipment. We also supply all our players with a team jersey.

**Parents will be in charge of supplying BLACK SHORTS for their child. Please keep in mind the grade-level jerseys do run very small in size.**

### **Do I need to pick up my child's uniform?**

No. Uniforms are given directly to your coach and they will distribute them at a team practice before the season begins.

### **Does the YMCA cut any kids?**

No. If you register for YMCA basketball, you are registered and will be placed on a team. However, please note, that we do have limits to the number of players that we can accept in each program due to limited gym space for

practices and games this year. The following are the limits per age group. Once we hit these registration numbers, will be closed even if we hit the limit before registration deadline.

1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>- 100 players maximum

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>- 80 players maximum

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>- 40 players maximum

### **Does every player get to play?**

Yes! In all leagues every player on the team roster must play at least half of each game.

### **How many games do the teams play?**

In our grade-level basketball leagues, each team will play a minimum of 8 games. Since some of our leagues have a year-end tournament, the exact number of games for each team depends upon how well the team does in the tournaments.

### **When does the season start, and how long does it last?**

Grade-Level teams are formed in mid-December. Your coach will contact you by December 29<sup>th</sup> with team and practice information. Practice is eligible to begin the week of January 10<sup>th</sup>. Games will begin on January 22<sup>nd</sup> with a scrimmage and uniform handout. The season will officially wrap-up March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> with the end-of-season-tournament.

### **Are Volunteer Coaches Needed?**

Yes! All of our programs are growing rapidly in size. With that, there is an increasing need for volunteer head and assistant coaches. We rely on volunteer coaches to help our programs run smoothly. If you are interested, please attend the coaches meeting that is scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. at the Beloit YMCA to be signed up to coach. Having enough coaches right away will ensure the season gets kicked off on time and will help with the coordination and organization of the league. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT! We will provide all of our volunteer coaches with practice equipment, drills and practice plans, practice space, schedules, league rules, and rosters with contact information. The Sports Director will also be in constant contact with coaches to give advice, share resources or answer any questions.

### **How often will my player's team practice (Grade Level)?**

We believe one of the most important factors in player development is regular team practices. For that reason, we require our coaches to practice once a week with their team.

Because each of our coaches has a unique job situation and gym space in the winter is limited in the area, it is impossible for us to tell you exactly when your player will have practices during the season during registration. In general, you can expect your player's team will practice one time per week throughout the season but we are not able to tell you the exact day of the week you team will have practice until AFTER registration. We are also not able to place you on a team based on what days you are able to practice.

### **Where are the games played?**

Games will be held in the Beloit/Ironworks YMCA and Beloit Boys & Girls Club (202 Maple Avenue in Beloit).

**What times are the games?**

All grade level games will be held on Saturdays and will start between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Due to not knowing the official registration numbers, we are not able to give a more specific time frame at this time.

**COVID GUIDELINES/MASK RULES**

We will follow the current mandates for the state in which we are playing at the time. This means If there is a mask mandate in place, ALL participants, spectators, and coaches will be required to wear them during practices and games regardless of vaccination status.

Anyone showing symptoms of COVID, tests positive for COVID, or has been in close contact with someone who tests positive will need to alert the YMCA right away.