

Graminia School

Grades 4, 5, 6 Basketball Spring League



This spring Graminia School will be organizing its 12th annual basketball league designed for male and female students in grades 4, 5, and 6. The purpose of this program is to introduce students to the sport, develop sportsmanship, foster school spirit, and have lots of fun.

As usual our grade eight and nine students who played for our Senior teams are going to be our coaches, officials, and scorekeepers. We have found while our grade 4-6 students really benefit from playing, our grade 8/9's benefit almost as much from coaching. It's great to see some of our younger students really bond with their coach and it creates a very positive energy around the school.

Games will begin in the middle of May and will all be played **predominantly** on Mondays and Wednesdays and will continue into the second week of June. (There have been Tuesdays and Thursday games in the past when student interest is high). All games will start right after school, the first one starting by 3:00 and the second game at 4:00. The intention is to finish both games by 5:00, so students playing soccer will be able to participate in both sports. A schedule for the entire league will be sent home with your child shortly after all the teams are created. **The cost to run the league will be \$30 per player. Please Pay via PowerSchool or if needed make out cheques to Parkland School Division and return them to the school by Friday, May 6th. The fee is used to cover player's T-shirts, ref costs, and prize costs. If there is any surplus it will be put into the Skyhawks Athletics budget and used to support athletic programming at Graminia. If finances are a concern please contact us at the school....we don't want kids to miss out if they want to play.**

Additionally....

1. Rules will be "phased in" gradually prior to the first 3 or 4 games. This will give players and officials something to focus on.
2. We will be playing cross court 3-3 this year to start the season. I have found that it results in players getting more "touches" before moving to 5-5 play.

Expectations of Parents/Guardians

Support: Please come and cheer on your child's team whenever possible. All that we ask is that you cheer for their team and not against the team they are facing. I remind all our parents and fans that many of our officials and scorekeepers are often new to the job. I ask that you join me in allowing these people to build their skills just like our players are building their own. **If you have any issues with your child's coaches or officials please do not approach them, but email Mr. Danielsen.**

Expectations of Coaches

As previously mentioned your child's coach is a kid too. They are grade 8 and 9 players who are eager to give back some volunteer time to the school. Please support them as many of them are nervous, new to coaching, and excited to help. **Coaches have been told to assign even playing time to their players. If you have any issues with your child's coach please do not approach them, but email Mr. Danielsen.**

Mr. P Danielsen (paul.danielsen@psd.ca)

Full Name: _____

Class _____

Male _____

Female _____

Shirt size (Adult sizes) S M L XL

I hereby grant permission for my child to take part in Graminia's Spring League Basketball.

Parent Signature

Paying by : _____ Powerschool (debit/Visa)
 _____ attached cheque or cash