

Lincoln Spirit Basketball Club

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Lincoln Spirit Basketball Information is below.

Lincoln Spirit Basketball Club is our competitive, coach-select basketball program that focuses on fun and player development for players looking to complete and develop in an encouraging atmosphere. All teams will play in the Gatorade Winter Basketball League.

Teams are put together by coaches. Individuals looking for a team are encouraged to attend Shootaround events before the season starts. If there are enough individuals in a grade level new teams can be formed. If we are not able to find a team for a player, they will have the option to be placed on a YMCA Recreational basketball team.

Each coach is required to submit a team roster form to the Spirit Basketball Office. Players will then be sent the link to register for their specific team. Players are not officially registered until they have turned in their individual registration and payment.

*Note: You will not receive the link to register for your team until after the team roster deadline - **October 1.***

Teams must play in the grade level of their oldest rostered player. Players cannot play up more than one grade level.

Gatorade Winter Basketball League Information

- ◆ Leagues for both Boys and Girls teams grades 3rd - 8th. (League Director reserves the right to combine divisions if necessary)
- ◆ 3rd Grade game days - Saturdays afternoons
- ◆ 4th - 8th Grade game days - Sundays afternoons
- ◆ 11 game regular season beginning the weekend of November 16/17. Single elimination tournament Feb. 22/23, March 1/2. No games or practices over Thanksgiving weekend and LPS Holiday Break.
- ◆ Two practices available per week at over 40 LPS gym locations.
- ◆ NSAA registered referees.
- ◆ Team roster must have at least 8 players.
- ◆ All Head Coaches must be at least 18 years old.
- ◆ As a volunteer coach with the YMCA of Lincoln, NE, you are giving us permission to conduct a review of your background which may include criminal history and/or child protective services.

Important Dates

- ◆ Individuals looking for a team deadline - September 27
- ◆ Team roster deadline: October 1
- ◆ Players on team registration: October 3 - 11
- ◆ Coaches Meeting: October 30
- ◆ Team conflicts deadline: October 23
- ◆ Schedules released: November 4
- ◆ League play dates: November 16 - February 16
- ◆ Single elimination tournament date: February 22/23

On the next page you will find available Spirit Basketball packages to choose from and pricing for the 2024 - 2025 season.

Choosing Your Teams Program

Coaches will select which program option they want for their team. This will be selected when turning in your team's roster so that the fees can be sent out to your players specifically so they can register for the team. Coaches will be given a list of tournaments to choose from to select for their team. The Spirit Basketball Club will submit registrations and payments for your league and tournament fees based off of the program chosen.

Spirit Basketball Club Program Options (All teams will play in the Gatorade Winter Basketball League)			
Bronze	Silver	Gold	Diamond
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 game regular season • Single elimination tournament to end the season • 2 practices per week/1.5 hours each • 4 open gym nights (Sundays) • Spirit basketball uniform required • 2 team basketballs provided • \$135 per player • All YMCA of Lincoln Member receive \$10 off registration • Does not include uniform cost - \$80 • Teams will sign up for practice space before the coaches meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 game regular season • Single elimination tournament to end the season • 2 practices per week/1.5 hours each • 4 open gym nights (Sundays) • 1 tournament • Spirit basketball uniform required • 2 team basketballs provided • \$160 per player • All YMCA of Lincoln Member receive \$10 off registration • Does not include uniform cost - \$80 • Teams will sign up for practice space before the coaches meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 game regular season • Single elimination tournament to end the season • 2 practices per week/1.5 hours each • 4 open gym nights (Sundays) • 2 tournaments • Spirit basketball uniform required • 2 team basketballs provided • \$180 per player • All YMCA of Lincoln Member receive \$10 off registration • Does not include uniform cost - \$80 • Teams will sign up for practice space before the coaches meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 game regular season • Single elimination tournament to end the season • 2 practices per week/1.5 hours each • 4 open gym nights (Sundays) • 3 tournaments • Spirit basketball uniform required • 2 team basketballs provided • \$205 per player • All YMCA of Lincoln Member receive \$10 off registration • Does not include uniform cost - \$80 • Teams will sign up for practice space before the coaches meeting
<p>***If you are looking for information on just joining the Gatorade Winter Basketball League as a non Spirit team please use the information sheet labeled Gatorade Winter Basketball League on our website.</p>			

Lincoln Spirit Basketball Club Uniforms

All Spirit teams Bronze - Diamond are required to wear the Club's standard uniform and colors as decided by the YMCA Youth Sports Branch and Lincoln Spirit Basketball Club.

Each member should be clothed in the same manner of basic equipment as their teammates (excluding the brand of footwear). Basic equipment refers to: jersey or shirt - bearing a unique number on the back and shorts.

Under Armour is the official supplier of the approved Lincoln Spirit Basketball Club uniform. Orders take 4-6 weeks. Please make sure parents know what jerseys they are ordering for your team and what number to have printed. The link to order uniforms will be posted on our YMCA Spirit Basketball Page. Each player will need 1 UA reversible jersey, 1 pair of UA shorts, 1 shooting shirt.