

Mill Creek Parents,

The upcoming season registration begins online September 5, 2009. Other events are listed on the calendar for this year. You will find information here at www.millcreekaa.net, as well as on our official schedule pages at www.quickscores.com/mcaa.

As Director of MCAA Basketball, I would like to thank you for your participation in our youth basketball program in the Mill Creek Community. I would also like to welcome the many new families to our community. The MCAA Basketball Board encourages everyone to actively participate by volunteering to be a coach, a team mom, or a scorekeeper. We have averaged over 950 players and 130 teams for children of ages 5 to 17. Additionally, if you are enrolled in high school and 18 years of age, we also welcome these students to participate. MCAA Basketball continues to grow and we always need volunteers. Remember to complete a volunteer form when you register your child to play this year. MCAA Basketball has provided separate programs for boys and girls of ages 5-6 for the last 3 seasons. We want to continue to provide a separate 5-6 girls league where we can raise each player's basketball awareness while providing a fun experience for the players and parents. We had 4 girls' teams and 12 boy's teams in the 5-6 age groups, and we hope that we can continue to grow these two separate leagues for the enjoyment of each participant.

The MCAA Basketball Board has been working this off-season in preparation for our upcoming season. Several adjustments have been made to rules, procedures, and tournament format. Our tournament format will be changed from double elimination to pool play. A pool play tournament will guarantee each team 3 games in the tournament. Additionally, each team will know when and where all three games in the tournament will be played before the tournament begins. The previous double elimination tournament left each team uncertain of its next game until the outcome of each game was final. This should help families plan. Finally, the teams that win each tournament pool will advance to the championship weekend.

We will have our pre-season pictures and jamboree on the same weekend once again this season. Having pictures prior to jamboree games and not making a special trip for pictures was received very well by our parents.

Finally, our full season calendar of events can be viewed on the MCAA web site using the calendar link under basketball or at www.QuickScores.com. A tentative game schedule by age group will be posted for the regular season in October and a final game schedule will be posted in November.

We hope to see you all on the courts this season.

Marty Hahn
MCAA Basketball Director