

Wednesday, December 16, 2020



Dear Parents,

Hi, I am excited to have the opportunity to coach Elementary for another season. This year we will not be bringing up 4<sup>th</sup> graders. With Covid and the number of 4<sup>th</sup> graders in Lambert and Richey it would add additional 10 girls. I am hoping that your daughters will go out this season so we will have a strong number of girls and a lot of playing time for them.

We will focus on the fundamentals of basketball: shooting form, dribbling, passing and defense! I relate my basketball program like a bank. You must deposit before you may withdraw. You must deposit time, sweat, effort, teamwork, coachable attitude, shooting on your free time and ball handling, getting good grades, just to name a few. The more they deposit the more they are going to get out of this season and learn the qualities to be a team player. There is no "I" in TEAM!

**We will begin practice January 4, 2021. TBA**

Please make sure your daughter has had their physical and brings the proper paperwork to our first practice. They will not be allowed to practice until they have that turned into me. They need to wear athletic shorts, t-shirt, gym shoes, deodorant and bring a water bottle.

Our season will be short and sweet, or maybe better described as fast and furious. Due to the fact that we have such little time together, players with 2 unexcused absences for practice will be removed from the team.

I am anxious to get started after we all enjoy Christmas. Please let me know if you have any questions before we get started or at any time throughout the season. You can reach me by email or phone using the contact information at the bottom of this letter.

**Attached is a letter updating elementary guideline that we adopted earlier this fall. Please read.**

Basketball is a great game! There is a spark inside me to take our program to the next level. Being a part of a team and a common goal is even more fun. So I am willing to deposit in your daughters to see them succeed on and off the court. So with that being said let's have a great season. GO FUSION

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## **UPDATED ELEMENTARY JAMBOREE SCHEDULE, 2021**

At the District 2-C virtual meeting yesterday, the Administrators agreed to adjust our Elementary Basketball Jamboree schedule due to the on-going Covid crisis. As a result, each team has been placed in a Pod, depending on location and with some consideration to County. Teams will play within their Pod only, and for the Saturday jamborees, with only 2 teams at a site in order to cut down on the potential risk of exposure. Also, for each Saturday Jamboree game, those two teams playing can decide if they want to play 1 or 2 games/gender, extra quarters, etc, while also setting game times and the potential use of more than 1 gym. (For instance, in Lambert, we will play girls and boys at the same time using both of our gyms, will take a 25 minute break to sanitize the benches and scorer's table, swap gyms and play a girls' and boys' game again against the same opponent, just so we maximize time and get games in for the athletes). Finally, it will be left up to each pod to create their own schedule, with consideration to your high school games and fan travel for those dates. Any elem teams who would like to schedule weekday games are welcome to do so.

**POD A: Scobey, Plentywood, Mondak, Froid/Medicine Lake**

**POD B: Culbertson, Bainville, Brockton, Circle**

**POD C: Sidney, Savage, R&L, Fairview**

It was decided Elementary would follow the JH BB guidelines our Conference adopted earlier this fall. They are as follows:

**\*\*Please note, our number one concern is the safety of our athletes, coaches, schools and communities involved, and to do our best to have our programs continue with as little disruption to school and activities as possible.**

- 1. Players, coaches, and managers must enter a school and gym with face coverings on, and must keep them on when they are not participating (ie, watching the other games). Locker rooms will be provided for teams, but places where guys and girls will be sharing locker rooms must devise a plan for the locker rooms to be sanitized between use or ask teams to come dressed??**
- 2. Face coverings must be worn by all athletes, managers, and coaches at all times, unless they are warming up or participating in the contest.**
- 3. Social distancing must occur on your bench. Each athlete should have their own water bottle. It should be clearly marked and spaced away from the rest of the teams.**
- 4. Those at the scorer's table must also wear face coverings and be appropriately distanced. Please have a designated bench person with an extra basketball and disinfectant, in the event a basketball is loose and is touched by non-participant or official.**
- 5. There will be no pre or post game handshakes.**
- 6. The hosting school must provide 2 racks of basketballs so that the home and away team has their own. Basketball must be sanitized before the next game begins.**
- 7. When a substitute is checking into the game, they must check in with the scorekeeper, and then should go back to their side of the bench until they are waved into the game by the official. Their face covering should be worn until they are waved in.**
- 8. When a player is subbed out and comes to the bench, please move that player to the end of the bench to catch his/her breath, and please have a bench person provide him/her with a face covering. Coaches are encouraged to move to the end of the bench to address this player after the player is able to get their face covering on, should they need to visit with them.**

If you would like to copy this document and use it to schedule your Pod's games, feel free to do so. This particular table is for the purposes of scheduling elementary games for Pod C:

## POD C ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL JAMBOREE SCHEDULE, 2021

Savage, Sidney, Fairview, R&L

DATE:	SITE:	OPPONENT:	GAME ORDER/GYM/TIME	LOCKER ROOMS ?	CONCES SIONS?	FAN MASKS?
1/16	Sidney	Savage	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)			
1/16	Fairview	R&L	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)			
1/23	Sidney	R&L	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)			
1/23	Fairview	Savage	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)	Yes	No	Yes
1/30	Fairview	Sidney	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)			
1/30	Savage	Lambert	9:00 girls, 10:00 boys	no	no	yes
2/6	Lambert	Savage	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)	Yes, for all teams	Limited	Yes, required for all
2/6	Sidney	Fairview	9:00 Game 1 boys and girls 10:30 Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)			

Games are 6 minute quarters; 10 minute warm-up, w/ a 5 minute half time.

No pressing unless the game is within 10 points with 2 minutes left. Then teams may press with 2 minutes left  
No zone defense

Masks are required for players. Coaches, and bench personnel; some gyms will ask for fans to mask up

Please be sure your bench areas are sanitized and social distancing can be practiced

Please have athletes come dressed to their games. Locker rooms may be available for showering purposes; with a 5 minute half time, it may be easier for teams to have their half time chat at the bench.



# R&L Fusion ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL 2021

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	GAME TIME	DEPARTURE TIME	DRIVER
M, 1/4/21	1st day of practice				
Sat, 1/16/21	Fairview	Fairview	9:00-Game 1 boys and girls 10:30-Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)	7:15 - Richey 7:45 from Lambert	
Sat, 1/23	Sidney	Sidney	9:00-Game 1 boys and girls 10:30-Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)	7:30 - Richey 8:00 from Lambert	
Sat, 1/30	Savage	Savage	9:00-Game 1 girls 10:00-Game 2 boys	7:15-Richey 7:45 from Lambert	
Sat, 2/6	Savage	Lambert	9:00-Game 1 boys and girls 10:30-Game 2 boys and girls (2 gyms)	7:45-Richey	

\*\*Each contest will consist of 2 girl's games and 2 boy's games.