

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY RECREATION & PARKS
YOUTH BASKETBALL FACT SHEET
2024-25 SEASON**



TEAM SELECTION *(also known as Draft Day)*

Your child will need to report to the school listed below for the section of the county in which you are participating. The draft location isn't necessarily the location where games will be held.

1st-2nd and 3rd-4th grade co-ed teams will not have an in-person draft. Team placement will be selected randomly by computer.

SOUTH – Carver Recreation Center

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
5-6	Boys	Tuesday	October 29, 2024	5:30-6:30pm
7-8	Boys	Tuesday	October 29, 2024	7:00-8:00pm

CENTRAL - Leonardtown Middle School

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
5-6	Boys	Wednesday	October 30, 2024	5:30-8:30pm
7-8	Boys	Wednesday	November 6, 2024	5:30-8:30pm

NORTH – Margaret Brent Middle School

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
5-6	Boys	Monday	November 4, 2024	5:30-6:30pm
7-8	Boys	Monday	November 4, 2024	6:30-7:30pm

Girls & High School Leagues – Esperanza Middle School

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
5-6 & 7-8	Girls	Thursday	November 7, 2024	5:30-7:00pm
9-10	Boys	Friday	November 22, 2024	5:30-7:30pm

- All registrants will be placed on a team during the draft. If you are unable to attend the draft, your child will still be placed on a team by random selection.
- Coaches will notify players of their team placement ***no later than Monday, November 11th***. If you have not heard from a coach by Monday, November 18, please contact webtrac@stmaryscountymd.gov
- 9th/10th grade players will be notified of their team placement no later than Monday, November 25th.
- Team selection will not be changed on carpooling requests or practice day scheduling conflicts.
- Each player will receive a numbered shirt to be worn at every game.

TEAM PRACTICE

- Each team receives a one-hour practice, one day a week. Scheduled practices will be provided once teams are formed.
- Practices will be held for an hour, Monday-Friday and scheduled between 5:00-9:00pm.
- Practices outside of league scheduled times are not permitted – please review parent handbook for details.
- Parents are responsible for transportation to and from practice.

Youth Basketball Guidelines

GAME INFORMATION

- Games begin Saturday, December 7, 2024, and will conclude in late February. Pending any weather cancellations, the season could be extended into March. Playoff games will be in March and could be played on weeknights or weekends.
- Game schedules will be given to coaches prior to the first game and schedules will also be available online: stmaryscountymd.gov/recreate/sports

GAME LOCATIONS (subject to change)

- **South:** Co-Ed 1st/2nd and 3rd/4th grades Carver Recreation Center
Boy's 5th-8th grades Esperanza Middle School
- **Central:** Co-Ed 1/2nd grades Leonardtown Elementary School
Co-Ed 3rd/4th grades Captain Francis Duke Elementary School
Boy's 5th/6th & 7th/8th grades Leonardtown Middle School
- **North:** Co-Ed 1/2nd grades Mechanicsville Elementary School
Co-Ed 3rd/4th grades Mechanicsville Elementary School
Boy's 5th/6th and 7th/8th grades Margaret Brent Middle School
- **Girls:** Various school locations – specifics to be announced once teams formed

PLAYOFFS & CHAMPIONSHIPS (Grades 5-8)

Division playoffs are tentatively scheduled for early March (pending any weather cancellations throughout the season) and will be held on weeknights and Saturdays. Championship games will be held in early March 2025.

REMINDERS

- Parents are responsible for reviewing the parent handbook and the parent code of conduct.
- Medical Insurance is not provided. Participants play at their own risk and parents assume an increased risk for injury in any sporting activity.
- Recreation and Parks staff provide supervision for those inside the facility only. Anyone engaged in activities outside of the facility do so at their own risk.
- According to State Law Regulations: **alcohol and tobacco product use is not permitted for use in or on public school property at any time both inside and out (include parking lots).**
- Lost or stolen articles are not the responsibility of Recreation and Parks.
- **All refunds requests received after registration and prior to the first game, will result in a 50% refund; there will be no exceptions except for doctor's note releases.** Any requests that are not a qualifying event (i.e. medical) submitted after the start of the program will result in no refund.
- In the case of inclement weather call the Recreation and Parks Cancellation Line at 301-475-4200 ext.1840 or visit the department website at: stmaryscountymd.gov/Emergency/RPAnnounce.
 - Follow on social media [facebook.com/stmarysmdrecreation](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysmdrecreation) and [@stmarysrecandparks](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysrecandparks)
- All make-up/revised schedules will be given to the head coach.



For additional information: webtrac@stmaryscountymd.gov
or contact Recreation & Parks at 301-475-4200 ext.1800