



North River Family YMCA

2026 Youth Basketball Season Information Sheet

Cost: Member-\$95 Non-Member-\$125

Divisions Numbers permitting, age divisions will be 2-4 coed, 5-6 coed, 7-8 coed, 9-10 boys, 11-12 boys, 7-9 girls, 10-12 girls, 13-16 coed. The age of the child on 1/1/26 will determine the age division and placement. If the birthdate of child is in question, a birth certificate will be required.

Dates/Late Fee Registration deadline is 11/30. Late registrations will be accepted up until 1/13, as long as spots remain on teams. Registrations that are submitted after 11/30 will be charged a \$15 late fee. **Skills Evaluations will be held on 12/6.** Times will be 4&under at 9am, 5yrs at 9:45am, 6yrs at 10:30am, 7yrs at 11:15am, 8yrs at 12pm, 12&under at 12:45pm, 16&under 1:15pm. (Evaluation of skills are to better balance teams). Teams may begin practicing the week of 1/5, Kickoff Jamboree 1/10 games will be held 1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28.

Practices/Teams Practices times and days are determined by the volunteer coach your child gets placed with. Parents can request to not practice a certain day or time and the YMCA will do our best to accommodate said request. **Special requests are not guaranteed.** Teams will be made up of 8 -10 players each. Numbers permitting, players age 7 and up will be separated into either a boy's league or a girl's league.

Coaches **WE ALWAYS NEED COACHES!** All coaches are volunteers. If you are interested in coaching, please indicate that on your child's registration form. There will be a mandatory meeting for all coaches on 12/3 or 12/5 at 6 p.m. at the North River YMCA.

Site Games may be held at the following facilities/organizations: Bethel Bible Village, Bright School, the North River YMCA, the Downtown YMCA and the Hamilton YMCA, North Georgia YMCA site. All locations are subject to change.

Games All regular season games will be played on Saturdays. Games will begin at 8:00am and last until each team has played their game for the week. Each team is guaranteed 6 games during the season. The game schedule will be released the week of 1/5.

Staff/Referees In the 2-6-year-old division, coaches will assist with refereeing. For the 7-16-year-old division, there will be one referee present.

Uniform Each child will be given a YMCA Basketball jersey. Parents must provide shorts, socks, and shoes.

Pictures There will be no formal picture day this season. Coaches will organize the time for a team practice/game for parents to take their own photos.

Tournament Teams in the 7-9, 10-12 and 13-16 divisions will end the season in a single elimination tournament. Seeding will be determined by a random drawing. The tournament is scheduled to take place on 2/28. Ages 2-6 will not have a tournament.

Communications Once registered, participants will not receive an email from their child's coach until after 12/26. All participants should receive an email from their coach or the YMCA by 12/27 informing practice day and time. If you haven't heard anything by then please email the Program Director Chris Dodson at Cdodson@ymcachattanooga.org