



Is Traveling Basketball a Good Fit for Me?



● YES!!

- I love to play basketball! Can't get enough!
- My parents have to drag me off the court all year round!
- Don't care who my teammates are, I just want to play
- Strong desire to improve, work hard on my game, and COMPETE at a higher level
- During the winter sports season, my CAA Basketball team is my sports priority
- I WANT to be at every practice and game, all season long
- My family and I will be committed to the season
- My family and I will help make it FUN for the entire team!

● Maybe not???

- My parents want me to play. Maybe more than I want to play traveling basketball.
- Who my teammates are matters more to me than just playing the game.
- My friends say they will play if I do.
- I'm very busy with lots of activities during the winter basketball season, and I may have conflicts with practices and games
- I can't promise I will be as committed to the season as my teammates will be



HOPE and OPPORTUNITY



- Chan HS 9 graduating classes 2011-19
- 94 Seniors on Girls and Boys Varsity
- 65 played on 8A Travel Team
- 53 played on 5A Travel Team

- Current CNHS Varsity Seniors Example
 - 3 of 10 never made an A Travel Team

- No matter what team you make, work your hardest to improve, so you can take advantage of your NEXT OPPORTUNITY!!



GOOD NEWS!



- Proactive Communications
- New Leadership Team Members
- FREE Training Opportunities
 - 60 girls + 90 boys regularly attending
 - Thanks Matt Arnold, Steve Knutson and your helpers!
- Streamlined Player Evaluations received from last year's coaches – THANKS for the extra time and effort!
- Rochester tournament for both boys and girls
- NO GATE FEE!!!



WHERE DOES THE \$\$\$ GO?



- Net proceeds from Tournament = \$40-50K/year
 - Reasonable and affordable fees for all
 - Scholarships for hardship families into our programs
- CAA Basketball Funded Improvements
 - Lights in BCE Gym
 - Glass Backboard Hoops in Chan Elem Gym
 - Several Shooting Machines at CNHS
 - iPads for CNHS programs
 - Apparel for CNHS coaches
 - 10,000 Shots Challenge winners' recognition awards



CAA Basketball Leaders



- Grades 4-8 Community Leagues
 - Dave Erickson – Girls Grades 4-8 West Metro League
 - **OPEN – Boys Grades 4-5 Storm Hawks League**
 - **OPEN – Boys Grades 6-8 Southwest League**
- John Miller - Grades 1-3
- Heather Neubauer - Girls Traveling Program
- Angie Quinn - Uniforms and Apparel
- Jason Schmidt - Gym Space
- Mike Ramler – Treasurer
- Player & Coach Development
 - **Steve Knutson – Boys Traveling Program**
 - **OPEN – Grades 1-8**
 - Matt Arnold - Girls Traveling Program
- **Chris Daly – Boys Traveling Program**
- Susan Schmidt – Communications
- Tony Williams – Traveling Tournament
- **Travis Christl – Co-Traveling Tournament Director**
- **Arthur Crutch – Advisor, CNHS Girls Head Coach**
- Nathan Pelowski – Advisor, CNHS Boys Head Coach
- Pam Neils – Vice President
- Bill Kemble – President



Tryouts & Team Formation



- **Tryouts are CLOSED – players & evaluators only**
- CNHS Basketball Coaches
 - Drills and scrimmaging
 - Goal = place every player on team that gives them best chance to succeed, improve and want to continue playing
- **Previous CAA Travel Coach Evaluation – all coaches**
 - **Streamlined and Improved Evaluation Tool – Includes stack rankings, mimics tool we will use during tryouts**
- CAA Basketball Leaders
 - Leaders NOT allowed to participate in groups involving their own children
- **Roster Finalization Meeting – compare vs. Coach Evals**
- **When should we post teams??? Later than 4pm? Friday night?**
- Teams formed before coaches assigned
 - Head coaches determined by board interviews, past performance, coach experience, commitment to our philosophies
 - Head coaches select assistants
 - Want to coach? You **MUST REGISTER** on web site before you can help



2019-2020 Traveling Program: 259 Registrations



- 85 Girls
 - Grade 4 - 15 players registered
 - Grade 5 – 20 players registered
 - Grade 6 – 16 players registered
 - Grade 7 – 15 players registered
 - Grade 8 – 19 players registered
- 174 Boys
 - Grade 4 – 30 players registered
 - Grade 5 – 28 players registered
 - Grade 6 – 43 players registered
 - Grade 7 – 38 players registered
 - Grade 8 – 35 players registered



Transition to Community League Program



- If not selected for travel team, strongly encourage playing CAA Community League Basketball
 - Travel teams posted to web site a few days after tryouts end. Will announce date and time in advance
 - Be prepared for result, decompress
 - **Registration will automatically be transferred to Community League. No action required by you.**
 - **Fee difference refunded via check**
 - **If you choose not to play Community League, please contact us**
 - Community League Evaluations October 13th

Program Philosophies



- Roster Size
 - 8-10 players/team
- Fundamentals Development
 - EVERY player improves as much as possible over season
- Sportsmanship & FUN!!
 - Proper perspective, represent us all with pride
- Chanhassen High School Spirit!!
 - Opportunities to connect and support all season
- Equal Playing Time is Required and Enforced
 - **Policy on web site – PLEASE READ IT**
 - **Coach discretion for attendance, actions, effort, attitude, conduct, end-of-game situations.**
 - **Specific discretion examples on web site policy.**

Program Philosophies



- 🏀 Fundamentals + Hard Work + Equal Playing Time + Fun = Success
- 🏀 Winning is an outcome... not an objective



Uniforms & Apparel



- **Please make every effort to be sized Sept 14-15**
 - Saturday, Sept 14, 8:30am-4:00pm @ CRV Elem
 - Sunday, Sept 15, 8:30am-4:00pm @ CNHS
 - 8:00am tryout groups get sized after tryout
 - All others please arrive 30-45 minutes early to be sized
 - OK to be sized during either boys or girls session
- Distribution of Uniforms and Apparel before first tournaments
- Please determine if you need new reversible practice jersey – may not match your uniform #
 - New jerseys \$25, payable by check at uniform sizing

Tournament Schedules Boys Travel Teams



- Nov 1-3 Chaska
- Nov 9-10 Osseo Maple Grove
- Dec 6-8 Eden Prairie (\$5 gate fee Sat. only)
- Dec 14-15 Chanhassen (No Gate Fee)
- Jan 11-12 Shakopee
- Jan 18-19 Lakeville North
- Jan 25-26 Edina (no 4th grade)
- Feb 8-9 Cottage Grove (no 4th grade)
- **Feb 22-23 Wayzata (no 4th grade, \$5 gate fee Sat. only)**
- **Feb 29 – Mar 1 Rochester (hotel stay, no gate fee)**
- March 14-15 MYAS Grade State Tournament



Tournament Schedules Girls Travel Teams



- Nov 1-3 Eden Prairie
- Nov 16-17 Lakeville North (one day)
- Dec 6-8 Minnetonka (no 4th grade)
- Dec 14-15 Chanhassen (no gate fee)
- **Jan 4-5 Wayzata**
- Jan 11-12 Orono (no 4th grade)
- Jan 25-26 Chaska
- **Feb 1-2 Edina**
- **Feb 8-9 Waconia (one day, no 4th grade)**
- Feb 22-23 Rochester (hotel stay, no gate fee)
- March 7-8 MYAS Grade State Tournament



Storm Traveling Tournament
December 14-15, 2019
All Hands On Deck



- One of largest, most-respected in MN
- FUN weekend for EVERYONE!!!
- ALL HANDS ON DECK!!!
- Contact Tony Williams or Travis Christl for Tournament Staff Volunteer Opportunities



Q & A



- All CAA Basketball Leaders are at your disposal
- Website is a TERRIFIC RESOURCE! Use it!!
 - Contact info – Basketball Leadership page
 - Important Dates page
 - Policies and Procedures for all Programs
 - Opportunities – in-season, out of season, leadership roles, etc.
 - Training programs and Trainers, Camps, links to other training resources
- Questions?
- Thanks for attending tonight! See you at tryouts!