

HUDSON RECREATION

🏀 HUDSON REC YOUTH BASKETBALL – PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

As we enter October, we know people will start to look for information regarding our upcoming youth basketball season. Details for Kindergarten - Grade 4, and Unified Basketball will be shared in the coming weeks. These programs will continue to be held in-town only and registration will be done through our web site. We would, however, like to share with you changes specific to our Grades 5-8 Basketball programs.

Starting with the 2025–2026 basketball season, teams in our **Boys and Girls Grades 5–6 and Grades 7–8 divisions** will participate in the **Nashoba Youth Basketball League (NYBL)**.

The NYBL is a recreational league made up of nine member towns: **Berlin, Bolton, Boylston, Clinton, Harvard, Hudson, Lancaster, Stow, and West Boylston.**

This decision was made after careful consideration of several factors. By combining resources and participants across towns, we can now offer a **more diverse and enriching playing experience**. Collaborating with neighboring towns helps ensure **more consistent team formation** and reduces the likelihood of **program cancellations due to low enrollment**—particularly benefiting our **Girls' divisions**. It also contributes to the **long-term sustainability** of the program.

Please note that participation in the league will involve **some travel**, as games may be held in any of the towns listed above. However, **teams should not have to travel for more than 50% of their games** (excluding playoffs).

- **Season Dates:** Practices will begin the week of **November 17th**. Game will begin on **December 6th**. The season will conclude by **February 14th**.
- **Game Schedule:** Regular season games will be played on **Saturdays**, at times consistent with previous years.
- **Playoffs:** Will be held on **weeknights during the week of February 9th**.

The NYBL's rules closely mirror those of our current Hudson Rec Youth Basketball league. While many towns require their **travel players** to also participate on their **rec teams**, the NYBL emphasizes and takes pride in its **recreational** style of play—perfectly aligning with **Hudson Recreation's philosophy**.

📄 Registration Details (Grades 5-8)

Registration must be completed through the **NYBL website**. A direct link to **Hudson's registration page** on the NYBL site is provided below. Registration fee is \$130.

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📅 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 20th.

📄 **Player Evaluations:** Will take place in **early November**.
Date and time to be announced.

