

# GETTING STARTED

The following material is intended to acquaint you with Little Dribblers' Basketball, Inc. and to assist you in the organization and operation of a league in your community.

Little Dribblers' provides a pattern for the operation of your program that has been developed, tested and proven through the experience of thousands of volunteers such as yourself since 1969.

You can't buy a program from Little Dribblers' Basketball, Inc. or from anyone else that will suddenly guarantee that your youth will become the type of adult you want them to be. We invite you to join us in the continuing effort to make this program one that will not only be fun, interesting and a wholesome experience for the community, but an ever more effective medium for helping today's boys and girls develop into better citizens tomorrow.

Little Dribblers' Basketball, Inc. is the administrative organization for the following divisions:

Ages 10 and under Junior Boys and Girls

Ages 12 and under Major Boys and Girls

Ages 14 and under Senior Boys and Girls

Little Dribblers' Basketball leagues are designed for community action to help boys and girls develop into better adults through participation in organized, supervised recreation.

Sportsmanship, team work, self-reliance and self-discipline are among the attributes needed by citizens of the future which can be learned through participation in organized basketball programs.

In essence, Little Dribblers believes that if you teach youth to play by the rules, they will learn to live by the rules.

## PROGRAM

Little Dribblers is not a program designed for a few highly skilled athletes. It is designed to serve as many youth in the community as possible, who are sincerely interested in the game of basketball.

All team members are playing members. Each player on a team must play at least one, full, uninterrupted quarter each game.

## ORGANIZATION

Little Dribblers is designed as a community project. Our divisions are determined and divided by the size of the local school district. The goal is for like sized leagues to compete against each other creating a level playing field for all leagues.

The first step in starting a Little Dribbler league in your community is to notify the Little Dribblers' headquarters of your interest to start a league. This will allow us to put your name and contact information in our database so that you receive all information that you will need for the upcoming season. The best way to accomplish this step is to send an email with all of your contact information. See the Contact Section of this Manual.