



GET IN THE GAME!

Sun Prairie Cardinals K–8 Youth Basketball NORTHEAST YMCA

Sun Prairie basketball starts at the YMCA! Our comprehensive youth hoops program for boys and girls in grades K–8 focuses on skill development, teamwork and sportsmanship and includes opportunities for more competition as children move up. Our programs are developed and administered through a unique partnership between the Northeast YMCA, the Sun Prairie Youth Basketball Association and Sun Prairie schools coaching staff. Volunteer coaches are needed, and need-based financial assistance is available.

LITTLE CARDINALS: BOYS GRADE K–2 AND GIRLS GRADE K–3

This foundational program focuses on fundamental skill development, understanding the rules, teamwork and basic game play.

BOYS GRADE K-1 AND GIRLS GRADE K-1

- Players practice basic skills with some three-on-three game play at 8-foot baskets; t-shirt and basketball included
- Runs Saturdays, October 27–December 15
- Enrollment deadline: October 15; \$10 fee for late registrations

Program Fee \$65

BOYS GRADE 2 AND GIRLS GRADE 2-3

- Three-on-three game play at 9-foot baskets; t-shirt and basketball included
- Runs Saturdays or weeknights based on participation, December 1–February 9
- Enrollment deadline: November 19; \$10 fee for late registrations

Program Fee \$88

CARDINAL FAST BREAK: BOYS GRADE 3–4

The Fast Break program occurs in two stages, focuses on continued skill development and begins to incorporate basic offensive and defensive concepts. All players begin in the Fall League where they are evaluated over seven weeks of practice and game play. When the Fall League ends, players are placed on a Winter Tournament or League team based upon skill level (separate registration required). Fall League enrollment deadline: October 15; \$10 fee for late registrations.

FALL LEAGUE

- All 3-4 graders start in this league; four-on-four game play; includes reversible jersey
- Two weeknight practices (all league players practice together) with Saturday games; runs October 23–December 15

Program Fee \$110

WINTER TOURNAMENT TEAM

Tournament team players will be exposed to a more competitive environment and require a greater time commitment.

- Two practices per week and five weekend tournaments
- Runs December–March

Program Fee \$170 (due at registration)

WINTER FAST BREAK LEAGUE

Moderate competition and a more modest time commitment for less-experienced players.

- One practice per week with Saturday games
- Runs January–February

Program Fee \$67

Boys in grades 5–8 and girls in grades 4–8 can select from multiple programs that are designed at varied levels of competition and time commitment.

JUNIOR CARDINALS: BOYS GRADE 5–6 AND GIRLS GRADE 4–6

The Junior Cards program is designed for players at intermediate competition levels and requires a moderate time commitment. Teams include a mix of ages to help promote competitive balance and are generally selected based upon the school that players attend. Boys start practice in November, and games begin in December; girls start practice in January, and games begin in February.

Boys registration deadline: November 5; Girls registration deadline: January 14; \$10 fee for late registrations.

- Intermediate competition level
- 10-games (home and away) against other local YMCA and school teams; end-of-year tournament
- One practice per week with weekend games; includes t-shirt
- Boys program runs November–February; Girls program runs January–March

Program Fee \$140

MIGHTY CARDINALS: BOYS GRADE 5–8 AND GIRLS GRADE 4–8

The Mighty Cards program is for players at both high and intermediate competition levels but has a greater time commitment than Junior Cards. All players will undergo a two-day evaluation and be placed on similarly competitive teams. Players must pay the program fee prior to the the evaluation period; for players assigned to Mighty Cardinals 1, an additional \$110 fee must be paid within two weeks of placement. Fees are non-refundable.

Girls registration deadline: September 30; Boys registration deadline: October 31; \$10 fee for late registrations.

MIGHTY CARDINALS 1

Teams play in area tournaments.

- High competition level
- Two practices per week with 10–12 weekend tournaments
- Play for 7–8 graders does not conflict with school teams
- Additional \$110 fee following team placement
- Uniform included
- Girls program runs October–February
- Boys program runs November–March

Program Member \$195

MIGHTY CARDINALS 2

Teams play at local sites in the Badger Development League.

- Intermediate to high competition level
- Two practices per week with 15 games played over five weekends (three games per weekend)
- Uniform included
- Girls program runs October–January
- Boys program runs November–February

Program Member \$195

GIRLS EVALUATION SCHEDULE

Held at Patrick Marsh Middle School

Grades 4–5	September 12 & 13	6:15–7:30 pm
Grade 6	September 12 & 13	7:30–8:45 pm
Grade 7	September 18 & 19	6:15–7:30 pm
Grade 8	September 18 & 19	7:30–8:45 pm

BOYS EVALUATION SCHEDULE

Held at Sun Prairie High School.

Grade 7	September 23	2:30–4:00 pm
Grade 8	September 23	4:30–6:00 pm
Gr. 7–8 mandatory parent meeting: September 23, 4:00 pm		
Grade 5	September 30	3:30–5:00 pm
Grade 6	September 30	5:15–6:45 pm
Grade 7	September 30	12:00–1:30 pm
Grade 8	September 30	1:45–3:15 pm
Grade 5	October 7	12:30–2:00 pm
Grade 6	October 7	2:30–4:00 pm
Gr. 5–6 mandatory parent meeting: October 7, 2:00 pm		

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