

**NOTRE DAME DON BOSCO BASKETBALL LEAGUE  
2024-2025 OPENING SEASON**

To: All Athletic Directors and Basketball Coordinators

From: Tom Collopy / League Director

Hello everyone and I hope you all had a good extended and happy summer. I understand that volleyball has begun, and you are all looking forward to a fun season.

Basketball is just around the corner. There are some housekeeping chores we need to accomplish.

First: League Congratulations the 8th Grade Boys Teams; SMMF, Messmer-St. Mary, St. Jude and Waukesha Catholic for the excellent showing in the Padre: 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th. Congratulations to the 8th grade Girls teams: SJV, Waukesha Catholic and St. Judes with 2nd, 3rd and 5th place finishes.

We believe that the excellent competition in the Notre Dame Division prepares all the teams for Padre competition.

Items / Updates:

1. If you are new in your role as Athletic Director or Coordinator, please be sure that Gary, Cheri and I have your contact information. If this UPDATE is not meant for you, please forward to the correct person and let Gary know who it should receive it.
2. Gym Availability Form – We need the Gym Availability Form completed and filled out with available dates as well as emergency cell phone contacts. This Form is attached with this memo and can also be found on our website: <https://nddbbb.org> This is the master form you need to use to provide Basketball Gym availability time. **Form must be returned to Gary by: OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup>.**
3. To Enter Teams - You need to use the NDDDB Entry/Invoice Form. **This form is also your invoice.** This one-page form will be used as your entry form and invoice, which will need to be **completed and received by November 2<sup>nd</sup>.** **Cost per team is \$475.00 per team, payment/check confirms entry into the League.** All league fees are due in full with the team entry. **Note:** Checks should be made out to NDDDB Basketball and mailed to: Tom Collopy, 13805 Creekside Pass Brookfield, WI 53005. Team Entry/Invoice Form can also be found on our website: <https://nddbbb.org>
4. There are multiple Archdiocese requirements that must be handled by each Athletic Director and Board. These include Medical Release, Coach's certification, required background checks, and others. Consult the Archdiocese athletic manual for all forms and requirements. Gary and Cheri have included the link to the athletic manual on the NDDBBB website. In regard to the Arch Roster Form, **your original Rosters are due no later than December 5<sup>th</sup>.** This requirement is new this year, so don't be late.

5. **New this year** – There have been discussions with the Arch to have the Parkview Girls 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams join the NDDB League this year. This is due to declining numbers of A teams in both grades for the NDDB and Parkview leagues. This is subject to the number of teams entered into the leagues and divisions (A/B).
6. **League Play** will begin Saturday December 7th. Majority of games will be played on Saturdays and the league may have some double up games on Saturdays. There will be no scheduled league games on December 21st or December 28th (This decision has no bearing on tournament scheduled games.) There will be league games on Saturday January 4th. League play will formally end by Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. If there is a snow out the League will make one attempt to reschedule games. Priority will be with the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.
7. The Arch has formed a small “think tank” committee to look at Grade School Athletics and is considering changes and mergers that will change the format for sports. Nothing to report but we are considering many different options. Any major decisions will be run past Athletic Directors and School Principals.

#### **Important Dates – Mark your calendars**

All Athletic Directors and Coordinators - Mandatory meeting  
Mandatory meeting for Athletic Directors  
90 minutes: 6:30 to 8PM. - no longer than 90 minutes.

**Date: Sunday, October 6th**

**Time: 6:30PM**

Location: @ St. Mary Visitation Elm Grove, Adult-Parish Center  
(enter doors on Juneau Avenue)

Strongly suggest all AD's and Coordinators attend.

All Athletic Directors and Coaches –  
Team Placement Meeting

**Date: Sunday, November 10th**

**Time: 4PM**

Location: @ St. Mary Visitation Elm Grove, Adult-Parish Center  
(enter doors on Juneau Avenue)

Strongly suggest 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade coaches attend.