

2019 Fall Q&A: Basketball(Ages 12-14) and Indoor Soccer(Ages 4-12)

PLEASE REMEMBER TO ATTEND THE DRAFT. PLEASE REVIEW THE FLYER FOR DATES AND TIME

q: Will my child be able to participate in both, Indoor Soccer and Basketball?

A: Yes, we encourage parents to register for both programs. There may occasionally be a conflict with practice times but there will never be a basketball game scheduled at the same time as a soccer game. Both programs welcome novice and advanced players.

q: What divisions are there?

A: **Basketball:** We break up our divisions according to age. We have 3 divisions; 8-10, 11-13, and 12-14

Indoor Soccer: We have 3 divisions; 4-6 (Shrimp Division), 7-9 (Dolphin Division), and 10-12's (Shark Division)

Please call Miramar PAL for information on our corporate basketball leagues as well as our outdoor soccer programs. The 8-10 & 11-13 Junior basketball divisions will begin after the 12-14 Senior season (date TBD). Please call The City of Miramar Athletic Department at (954)602-4780 for information on the Pee Wee Basketball programs (ages 4-7) and 15-17 year old basketball divisions (RBA Basketball).

q: What are the age requirements?

A: The player's age as of October 1st will determine if they are eligible to play and which division they will play in. All divisions are co-ed.

q: How much does it cost?

A: **Basketball:** \$95 for Miramar residents and \$114 for non-residents.

Indoor Soccer: \$120 for Miramar residents and \$144 for non-residents.

Registration includes the uniform and is the total cost of the league. Please submit a money order. Players that register after the flyer deadline must pay a late fee equal to the non-resident rate if space permits.

Note: Discounts are given to early registrants. Please see the program flyer for discount information. **Register early, spaces typically fill prior to the deadline.**

REFUND REQUESTS: Refund requests **MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO THE DRAFT.**

q: What is the draft?

A: The draft will give the coaches a fair opportunity to choose the players for their team. All players/coaches must attend the draft. Players must attend the draft at the location that they registered at. If the player is unable to attend the draft, they will be randomly assigned to a team. If you miss the draft, please email Miramar PAL. **PLEASE REVIEW THE FLYER FOR DRAFT DATES AND TIMES.**

q: Can I request a specific coach or play on my friend's team?

A: No, we have a draft to allow the coaches to choose players to balance the league as best as possible. Coaches are allowed their own son or daughter on a team and one additional "freeze" from their assistant coach or for transportation purposes. No other players can be hand-picked for their team. They can still be drafted by the coach if he or she chooses to do so. **We also do not pair friends together.**

PLAYERS MUST REMAIN ON THE TEAMS THEY ARE DRAFTED ON, PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SWITCH TEAMS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.

q: When will I get a uniform?

A: Uniforms will be distributed by the coaches at practice before games begin, usually on the second or third practice.

q: When is practice?

A: Practice times will be determined by your son or daughters' volunteer coach. Please make sure you take down your coach's name and number when they call you about the first practice.

Most practices are held outside as gym availability is extremely limited. Practice schedules may vary each week based on the coach's discretion. Coaches are asked to not schedule practices before 6pm during weekdays.

A flexible schedule is typically needed to be able to attend all the practices and games. **Note: Soccer teams must only use the baseball outfields located at Regional Park for practice.**

Volunteer coaches are always needed; please sign-up on the registration form as soon as possible. Head coaches receive a discount (see flyer for discounts); these spaces are also limited.

q: When are the games?

A: **Basketball:** The 12-14 division will usually be scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays. Games played weeknights are scheduled between 6:00pm and 8:30pm.

Indoor Soccer: Games will usually be scheduled on either Tuesdays or Thursdays (occasionally both). The 4-6 year olds will play at 6:30pm, the 7-9 year olds will play at 7:15pm, and the 10-12 year olds will play at 8:00pm.

Games for both programs may also take place on SATURDAYS. Saturday games are usually scheduled between 9:00am and 2:00pm.

All playoffs, championships, and all star games will be completed no later than December 24th.

Please note that the above information could potentially change and additional days may be used. We use the word "usually" because the amount of registrants varies each season and impacts scheduling significantly. However, a detailed game schedule will be available a few weeks prior to the start of the season.

q: When will I get a game schedule?

A: A detailed game schedule for the entire season will be posted on Facebook.com/MiramarPAL a week after the draft. Note: You do not need to have a Facebook account to visit the page.

q: Can you explain the games?

A: **Basketball:** Players registered in East Miramar will play at the Youth Enrichment Center and players registered in West Miramar will play at Sunset Lakes Community Center. Playoffs may take place at either site. Games will be 8 minute quarters with a running clock (except for last 2 minutes of each half). The 12-14 division will use a standard sized basketball and play on a regulation size court.

Indoor Soccer: All players must register at Sunset Lakes Community Center(SLCC). All games will be played at SLCC. Dolphin and Shark divisions will play 10 minute quarters with a running clock. Shrimp division will play 8 minute quarters with a running clock. A heavier indoor soccer ball that has less bounce will be used. Indoor soccer focuses more on ball handling and passing techniques than outdoor soccer. Please research "Futsal" to find out more about the playing style of this type of program.

q: How many games are there?

A: Each team will play a minimum of 8 games, not including playoffs. Divisions with high enrollment will play more games.

q: Can you explain the playoffs?

A: Only the top four teams in each division will make the playoffs. A playoff/all-star schedule will be given out before the end of the regular season. Playoffs for basketball may take place at either site (SLCC or YEC).

q: Will there be an All-Star game and Coaches Game at the end of the season?

A: Yes, each coach will be allowed to select a designated amount of players (TBD) to participate in the end of the season All-Star events. The day will consist of an East vs West All-Star game for each age group, as well as an East Coaches vs West Coaches game. A specific date and time will be posted on the playoff/all-star schedule.

q: What happens at the end of the season?

A: After the last game of the season, every player will receive an award for their participation.

q: When will I receive a call by the coach?

A: Coaches are instructed to call their players within 5 days after the draft. **If you have not received a call from a coach by this time, please contact Miramar PAL.**

Note: No calls will be made to the coaches or players prior to the drafts.

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Visit Facebook.com/MiramarPAL for registration reminders, program updates, and game schedules.

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