

CLAYTON COUNTY 4-H BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

March 28 & 29

The purpose of the tournament is to provide recreation and a chance for 4-H members to become acquainted with other 4-H members in the county. It is hoped that 4-H members participating will have fun, even though they do not necessarily possess basketball skills. When clubs decide to have a basketball team or teams, they must be willing to accept certain consequences over which there is little control, such as playing back to back, location, players getting tired and games running off schedule. Those of us involved with the scheduling of the tournaments do the best we can under all circumstances.

Established rules and regulations:

* All teams must be co-ed. Teams must have at least one boy or girl on the court at all times.

* Each team will consist of 6-12 members

*There must be 1 adult from each playing team doing stats and one serving as the coach.

*In case of technical fouls, the other team will automatically get 3 points, the ball out-of-bounds, and the ball possession in their favor. A technical may be called on players, coaches and spectators. A technical foul on a player or coach will result in their dismissal from the tournament. Spectators will be asked to leave the tournament.

1. Eligibility of players

***Junior Teams** – Grades 4 – 7

New junior team member (grades 4-7) 4-H'ers are eligible provided they joined their respective club before or at their January meeting of the current year.

Senior Teams – Grades 8 – 12

New senior team member (grades 8-12) 4-H'ers must have been a 4-H member a year prior to be eligible to play in this year's tournament. A 4-H'er from the previous year must have a 4-H enrollment form on file in the County Extension Office by March 2, 2009.

All 4-H'ers who were members prior to the current year must have met the minimum standards of 4-H.

Minimum standards of 4-H are:

1. Attend the local 4-H club meetings
2. Participate in local club programs
3. Conduct an approved project
4. Complete a 4-H record

2. All clubs entering teams must:

*Return entry form by March 2, 2009.

*Submit a \$25 entry fee for each team. All will be retained by the Council to help defray expenses for the tournament. The entry fees are due March 2, 2009. Any profits realized from the tournament, after all expenses are paid, will be put into the Foundation Fund. There will be no refunds.

*Clubs may have more than one team.

3. Everyone, including leaders, players, coaches, and spectators are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship during the tournament. Referees can eject any person from a game. This person would be disqualified from the rest of the tournament.

4. Youth committee will reserve the right to issue a letter of reprimand stating the team is on probation if a team shows poor sportsmanship at any time, including team, coaches and spectators. If team receives a letter of reprimand, the club will be suspended for 1 year.

5. Clubs must bring their own practice ball. No practice balls will be provided.

6. Warm up time will be 5 minutes but if behind schedule, time will be cut. Junior games are 4 minute quarters, Senior games are 6 minute quarters; half time is 3 minutes.

7. There will be 2 time-outs allowed in one game, each worth 1 minute. In overtime, there will be one extra time-out allowed. Overtime will be 3 minutes.
8. Junior teams will not have the 3 point shot.
9. It is the responsibility of the members and leaders to know the rules. Each club will receive a copy of the rules in their club mail box at the Extension Office.
10. All team members' names on the roster must play at some time during the tournament.
11. If locker room is damaged, club must pay for damage.
12. Clock will run continuously when one team is leading by 20 points except during time outs. This rule does not apply to final games.
13. If a club does not have enough members to make a team, they may join another club to make up a junior or senior team. Junior team players can play with one merged senior team and also play with one junior team. However a member can only be on one team per division.
14. If a team does not play their game at the scheduled time, that team is responsible for paying all expenses connected with that game. This includes paying for referees, janitor and clock keeper. Extension staff is at liberty to excuse this rule if a team does not have enough players.
15. All teams will play 5 on 5.
16. No full court press in the junior games except for the last 2 minutes of each half.
17. All basketball teams will have a chance to earn Good Sportsmanship Awards during the tournament. The award will be presented to one Junior team and one Senior team. The referees will choose the teams receiving awards. Teams will be notified, be in "**Clover Connection**," each division winner will receive \$20 and a certificate.
18. Certificates and \$20 will be presented at the finals to the Champion teams. All team members will be asked to remain for photos.
19. Admission:

Adults.....\$1.00 each day/night	Youth.....Free
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SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS

Sportsmanship will be chosen by the referees. The criteria are:

- General good conduct in locker rooms, on bench, on gym floor, etc.
- Degree of physical contact—avoid extreme aggressiveness. A positive facial expression and positive attitude are encouraged.
- Good attitude of all those concerned with the team including players, coaches, leaders, and spectators.
- Proper language of players and coaches while playing and while on the bench.
- Team promptness on playing floor after warm-up, time outs, etc.
- Appearance of players as a team (appropriate outfits, clean, neat, including a readable number for each player).
- 4-H slogan "**To Win Without Bragging, To Lose Without Squealing**".

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Sign-up Sheet

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The tournament will be March 28 & 29 at the Central Community School in Elkader. Brackets and playing times will be determined after all entries are received.

4-H Club _____

Team Name _____

Coaches Name _____

Statistician Name _____

Division: (Please circle) **Junior** (4th-7th grade) **Senior** (8th-12th grade)

Team Members- Teams must be co-ed with at least one boy or girl on the court at all times. No more than 12 people total on a team.

BOYS

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11. _____

GIRLS

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