

# *Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School*

## *Boys' Basketball – 2023*

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- ⇒ **Paperwork**: All student-athletes must have an athletic physical on file at school before being allowed to participate in practice/games. A Permission Form and a Concussion Fact Sheet must also be signed on-line.
- ⇒ **Fee**: A \$35 participation fee is required of all participants. You will receive an invoice for this fee. In case of financial hardship or special circumstances, contact Mr. Thole.
- ⇒ **Clothing**: All players will be issued a reversible practice jersey and a blue or gold game jersey. The royal blue athletic shorts, which are available for purchase in the Mazzuchelli Office (\$10), are required for games but not necessary for practice.
- ⇒ **Lockers**: Each player will be assigned a locker in the locker room. Use of a school-issued padlock is required. The replacement cost for a padlock is \$5.00.
- ⇒ **Game Format**: Two 4-quarter games are played, with an “A-team”/“B-team” format. Approximately half of the boys will play in the “A” game, beginning at 4:00PM. These “A” games are for the more experienced players. This will be followed by the “B” games (beginning at approximately 4:50) for the half of the boys on the team who are less experienced. [If a team has 20 or more players, approximately nine boys will play A and the rest will play B.] All schools in the league have agreed to use this philosophy so the competitive level of each game will be comparable. Each boy will play either as part of the “A” team or as part of the “B” team, not both on the same day. In some cases, a boy might be “A” for one day’s game and “B” for a game played on a different day. (Schedule note: For league games in the latter part of the season, the “B” game is played prior to the “A” game.)
- ⇒ **Attendance**: All players are expected to attend all practices. If conflicts occur, the coach should be informed ahead of time. Special exceptions can be made for students involved in other school-sponsored activities. Practice attendance can be a factor in a coach’s determination of playing time.
- ⇒ **Teams**: Two relatively equal teams for each grade will be determined after a few days of practice. We strive to “re-mix” the boys as much as possible as they transition between 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ⇒ **Transportation**: Players must arrange their own transportation to/from games.
  - \*For games in Cascade, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cascade exit off of Hwy. 151.
  - \*For games in Farley, turn right toward town from the main exit then take the first right to old St. Joseph’s (for games vs. Seton), or go into town and cross the tracks then turn right to go to the public school (for games vs. Drexler).