



# ST. ANTHONY COMMUNITY YOUTH BASKETBALL

October, 2023

## A Note from our Pastor and the SACYB Committee

Welcome to another season of fun and exciting St. Anthony Community Youth Basketball (SACYB). St. Anthony Parish is pleased to sponsor youth basketball. We are looking forward to an action-packed and fun year!

We thank you for your interest in SACYB. You will find our league to be unique in that we promote teamwork and good sportsmanship. Our goal is to infuse the league with positive, virtuous values in a spirit of cooperation and harmony.

Programs like SACYB could not possibly exist without the support and help of many volunteers who manage the program. We are grateful to all the people who give of their time to help. We are in need of a few coaches and assistant coaches. We want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have coached in the past and who will volunteer again this year. If you feel a calling to help us out as a coach or assistant coach, please submit an online Coach's Application with your player's registration **before the coaches meeting on December 5, 2023** as practice slots are assigned on a first come, first served basis.

Parents, please take the time to look over our SACYB vision, goals and gym rules with your children, and help us make this season a rewarding and positive experience.

May GOD bless you and your family!

**Reverend Mitch Maleszyk, Pastor**

### **The SACYB Committee**

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## The SACYB Program

The vision of SACYB is to provide an outreach for youth in our community. We hope to develop Christian values and morals by playing the game of basketball in a safe and positive church environment.

Games are conducted under basketball rules along with certain SACYB rules. Teams are placed in different divisions by grade level and skill level. The goal of the program is to have each team equal regarding ability, size, age, etc. No standings are kept. All players are assured of equal playing time with competition kept to a minimum. All participants are expected to abide by SACYB game and gym rules, along with practicing good sportsmanship always.

It is important for the coaches and parents to always be good examples to the children, especially during game times. We at SACYB strive to create a positive environment for everyone. In keeping with our goals, we will not tolerate any inappropriate words or actions during game time toward other players, coaches, or to the referees by players, parents, coaches, or spectators. While we do not expect problems, games will be terminated, if necessary.

Volunteers, who are mostly parents, former players and church members, provide all coaching and directorship of the program. All practices and games are conducted at the St. Anthony Memorial Center gym, which is  $\frac{3}{4}$  regulation size.

## Goals:

- HAVE FUN!
- Develop and improve basketball skills.
- Learn and practice good sportsmanship.
- Build teamwork skills.

## SACYB DIVISIONS FOR 2024 SEASON

### 8 Foot Hoop:

(8B) Grades 1-2 Co-Ed

(8A) Grades 3-4 Co-Ed

### 10 Foot Hoop:

(10BG) Grades 5-6-7 Co-Ed

*Note: Division size will depend on the number of participants registered. The number of participants per division is limited.*

## SACYB GYM RULES

### For Players & Families PLEASE:

- Wear court-type flat shoes.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship **ALWAYS!**
- Have respect for church property.
- Supervise children outside of gym.
- Have respect for coaches, referees, parents and other players.
- Use proper language-no profanity.
- Do not criticize or make fun of other players.
- No horseplay or wild play.
- **Please do not bounce balls in hallways or off the walls, especially on practice nights when meetings are in progress.**
- **Do not bounce balls in the spectator area or behind the spectator area.** This is a high foot-traffic area and balls are a hazard.
- **Use only balls supplied by SACYB. Outside balls are not to be brought into the Center.**

THANK YOU!

- **Parents, please supervise your children including players and non-players.**
- Make new friends.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2024

- ❖ Skill evaluations and team selections:

8B: Grades 1-2: Co-Ed 9:00 AM

8A: Grades 3-4: Co-Ed 12:00 PM

10BG: Grades 5<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup>: Co-Ed 3:00 PM

*\*Check-in begins 30 minutes before Skill Assessment Time.*

### Coaches and Assistant Coaches Important Meeting:

### DECEMBER 5, 2023

**Mandatory meeting for all Coaches.**

**Fingerprinting will be offered to Coaches and Assistants who have not been fingerprinted through St. Anthony since Sept. 2003. Please submit Coach/Assistant Coach Applications prior to this meeting so we can schedule your practice time.**

<https://stasac.formstack.com/forms/coachregistration2020>

- ◆ Practices (held Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings) begin the week of January 8th. One-hour practices range from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm.
- ◆ Season begins January 12th and ends February 24th. Games are played either on Friday evenings or on Saturdays.

**PARENTS PLEASE**—You must escort players to and from the gym for all practices and games. **No drop-offs or pick-ups in the parking lots or at curbsides.** This is a Diocesan regulation established for your child's safety. Please pull into a parking space when delivering players, and do not block driveways or park in red zones.

***Remember, homework and schoolwork come first!***