

Bonnyville Centralized High School



Unified Basketball Information & Registration Package 2019



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Bonnyville Centralized High School Unified Basketball Tournament

Date: Wednesday April 10, 2019

Location: BCHS Gymnasium, Bonnyville Alberta

Time: 10am - 2:30pm

Registration Deadline: April 1, 2019

Registration Forms: Available at the end of this information Package

Please Email: elizabethann.switzer@nlsd.ab.ca with completed registration forms, or if you have any questions regarding this event.

General Unified Basketball Information

- All Unified Sports teams are made up of athletes and partners. Athletes are students with intellectual disabilities and partners are students without intellectual disabilities. Each 3-vs-3 Unified Basketball team will have exactly two athletes and one partner on the court at all times.
 - Players with physical disabilities will be classified as either an athlete or a partner depending on whether or not they have an intellectual disability.
 - Coaches are not permitted to be on the court with their athletes.
- If there is a large amount of registrations to the tournament, we will email out the Basketball Skills Assessment Test sheet so we can ensure that teams are group into different divisions according to ability

Teams and Players

- There is no maximum number of players per team or maximum number of teams per school.
 - Due to short game time (likely 10-15 minute games depending on the number of teams registered), we suggest having 2-3 lines max per team in order for all students to have time to play.
 - Teams can be co-ed.
 - Schools may combine to make a joint team.
 - Teams must be composed of high school students and onsite grade 9s only.

The Game

- The following rule modifications will be in play:
 - Running clock game time of 10-15 minutes
 - Game length will be announced after the registration deadline and will be based on the number of teams registered.
 - The game will start with rock-paper-scissors for first possession (best of 1 gets the first ball)
 - One 30-second timeout will be allowed per team per game; the clock will not stop during this timeout (rationale: there will be 2 half-court games taking place at the

same time and all courts will be running off the same clock in order to remain on schedule).

- An offensive player, including the shooter, may remain in the free throw area for no longer than three seconds. The penalty for this infraction is loss of possession.
- A player may take two steps beyond what is allowable. However, if the player scores or escapes the defense as a result of these extra steps, an advantage has been gained and a violation is called as per the official's discretion.
- If there is a turnover or rebound by the defensive team, the ball must come out past the three point line before they switch to offence.
- After a team scores, the defensive team gets possession at the top of the key (three point line).
- If a foul is called, possession will be given to the other team.
- The ref has the authority to force a line change if they notice a partner is dominating gameplay and/or keeping the ball out of the hands of the athletes on his or her team.
- Unlimited substitutions. Substitutions must take place at a whistle, the main ref will call for substitutions every minute.
 - Refs will be from our SR Basketball Teams
- The purpose of the partners is to support the athletes and keep the game in the hands of the athletes as much as possible. The partner should offer visual and verbal cues to the athletes to keep them involved in gameplay. Partners cannot attempt to distract or confuse players on the other team. The amount of support each athlete needs from a partner will vary from athlete to athlete, so it is important that the athletes and the partners practice together to build this relationship beforehand. Partners are allowed to score points.
- Tie breakers to be determined in succession:
 - Highest game points
 - Lowest points against average
 - Highest points for average

Uniforms/Apparel

- The team must wear matching shirts with numbers. Uniforms should not be used to separate athletes from partners. In the event that two teams are wearing the same coloured jerseys, pinnies will be available.
- No jewelry (e.g. necklaces, earrings, etc.) that may hazardous to players is allowed.
- Clean, indoor, athletic shoes must be worn.

Photography/Videography

- There will be a photographer at this event and social media use is encouraged. Although reasonable effort will be made to not use the images of students who do not have photo/media consent, it is the responsibility of the coach and/or teacher supervisor to have these students step out of group photos, etc. that will clearly be used to promote the program.
- Please inform us if you have any athletes who do not have photo/video consent

Principle of Meaningful Involvement

- The purpose of Unified Sports is to promote meaningful involvement, inclusion, and sporting opportunities to students of all levels and abilities. Partners are encouraged to fully take part in the game, however, their main focus should be on guiding the athletes to contribute to the team's success using both visual and verbal cues

Partners				

Team Information:

	Team name:			
	Student Name	Grade	Photo/Video Consent	Food Allergies
Athletes				
Partners				

Note: Lunch will be provided. Although efforts will be made to accommodate food allergies, students and coaches may wish to bring their own meal if they have severe allergies or have any concerns.

