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# **Mercer Island Select Boys Basketball 2019-2020 Pre-Tryout Meeting**

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SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

# Youth Program Team

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Becca Robinson & Joci Besecker - Youth Coordinators 2019-2020

Cindy Rockfeld - Uniforms

Lynn Abulhosn - Gym Scheduler



# Youth Program Goals

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1. Have fun!
2. Improve individual basketball skills
3. Increase knowledge about the game
4. Gain self-confidence as a player
5. Learn sportsmanship and teamwork
6. Prepare athletes for the high school basketball program



# Youth Program Overview

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- Two team types, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade: ETL and Cascade
- Program-wide start date: Wednesday, October 2
  - All Teams Training starts: Wednesday, October 2
    - Training is Monday+Wednesday afternoons through October; Wednesdays only Nov-Feb
  - All Teams Practices start: Week of November 4
    - Twice weekly practices, evenings on Tues, Wed, Thurs; no Monday or Friday practices
- League start dates:
  - ETL – games start November 30, Saturdays or Sundays
    - Mix of Home (MIHS or IMS) games and Away (other area schools) games
  - Peak – games start November 3, Sundays @ MIBGC Peak or West Mercer



# Team League Info

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- **Eastside Travel League (ETL)**
  - Most competitive team
  - 2 practices per week @ Northwood or IMS (TBD based on coach availability)
  - 18 games against other Eastside teams (9 home, 9 away), Dec – Feb
  - 2 Tournaments (could be Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, or MLK weekends)
  - Post-Season Tournaments
    - Playoffs – 2/29-3/1
    - Youth State Tournament – March 13-15 (must qualify)
    - 6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Travel tournament, destination TBD
- **Peak League (Cascade)**
  - 2 practices per week @ Northwood or IMS (TBD based on coach availability)
  - 14 games played at the Peak, Dec – Feb
  - 1 Tournament (Veteran's, Thanksgiving, or MLK weekends)
  - Post-Season Tournaments
    - Playoffs – Dates to come
    - Youth State Tournament – March 13-15 (must qualify)



# New Training Program

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**Goal:** Provide select players training outside of team practices and games to advance skill development, IQ of the game, and physical strength.

Included in team fee for all teams

Curriculum lead by 8<sup>th</sup> ETL coach Yan Fatien and 7<sup>th</sup> ETL coach Glen Dean

75-minute sessions at IMS gyms

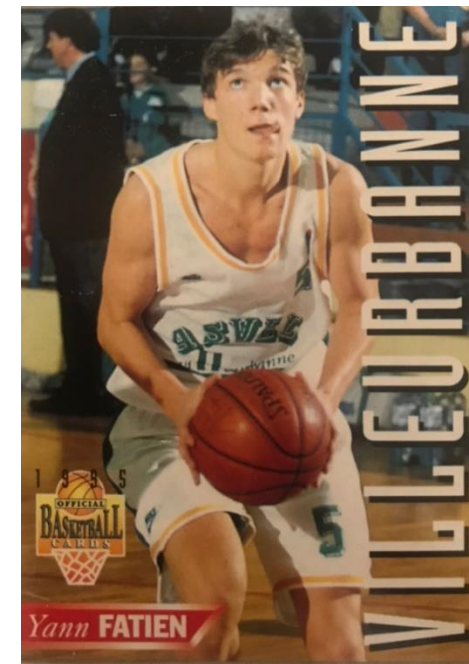
5th and 6th teams, 7th and 8th teams combined

Twice weekly in October, Mondays and Wednesdays

Wednesdays only, November-February

Two sessions on each training day:

- 3:15-4:30 pm
- 4:45-6 pm



**Yan  
Fatien**



**Glen Dean**



# Coaches

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<b>Grade</b>	<b>ETL</b>	<b>Cascade</b>
8 <sup>th</sup>	Yan Fatien	Benson Sims
7 <sup>th</sup>	Glen Dean	Sylvie Atkins, Amanda Thomson
6 <sup>th</sup>	Jake Stenberg	Parker Sutton, Luke Salaiz
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mason Azose	Milad Jafari



# Important Dates

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## Tune-Up Clinics – MIHS Gym

- *Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 12:00 (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>). Registration now available at [mercerislandbasketball.org](http://mercerislandbasketball.org)*
- *Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 - 2:00 (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> ). Registration to come!*

## Tryout Dates and Times – **Islander Middle School Gyms—new location!**

### **Sunday, September 22, 2019**

- *6th and 8th Grades: 1:00-2:30 pm*
- *5th and 7th Grades: 2:30-4:00 pm*

### **Monday, September 23, 2019 – **note revised times starting 30 minutes later than originally posted!****

- *5th and 7th Grades: 6:30-8:00 pm*
- *6th and 8th Grades: 8:00-9:30 pm*

## Post Tryout Meeting

- *Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00-8:30 pm - MIHS Commons*

**Register at [MERCERISLANDBASKETBALL.ORG](http://MERCERISLANDBASKETBALL.ORG)**





# Important Tryout Info

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- Players need to attend both tryout dates for their grade level.
- There is a \$10 fee to try out and all players must be registered online through [www.mercerislandbasketball.org](http://www.mercerislandbasketball.org).
- Parents must sign a Medical Release and Waiver form as part of registration before any athlete can participate in the tryouts (part of on-line registration).
- Players should arrive ready to play and do not need to bring basketballs.
- Tune-ups on the 15<sup>th</sup> are an alternate make-up option for those with conflicts.
- Parents are not allowed in the gym during the tryouts.

**Tryout Results:** Team assignments will be posted on [www.mercerislandbasketball.org](http://www.mercerislandbasketball.org) on **Tuesday, September 24, by 8 pm**. No names will be published on the website, only the number assigned to the player during the tryouts.



# Fees

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**ETL Team Fee:** \$895 per player, inclusive of the coaches' stipends, supplemental training, ETL League fee, gym rental costs, Little Dribblers, and two local tournaments.

**Cascade Team Fee:** \$740 per player, inclusive of coaches' stipends, supplemental training, PEAK League fee, Little Dribblers, and one local tournament.

**Uniform Fees:** \$80-90 per player

**Post-Season Tournaments:** TBD (estimate \$600-800 per player depending on fundraising efforts); tournament fees paid by MIBBBC.

**Scholarships are available.** Email [mibbbcscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:mibbbcscholarship@gmail.com)



# Uniforms

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- Same uniform as last year
- Samples available at post-season meeting (October 1)
- Online ordering will be open in early October
- Number requests will managed based on availability and years with program
- Minimum requirement is uniform plus practice jersey
- Cost: \$80-90 for required uniform components



# Parent Volunteering

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- Parents of players on ETL and Cascade teams are needed to volunteer
- Sign up for roles at post-tryout meeting
- Volunteer roles include
  - Team Manager – Handles all team communications via TeamSnap
  - Game day scorebook and/or clock
  - Social
  - Travel coordinator/fundraising



# Additional Basketball Programs

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## **Little Dribblers (LD)**

- Saturday mornings from December through early February
- Open to all 2nd-9th graders
- Coached by MI High School Basketball Team
- ETL and Cascade team players are expected to participate; fee included in team fees

## **Boys & Girls Club (B&GC) Recreational Teams**

- Recreational boy's basketball is available for 1st- 8th graders at the Mercer Island Boys and Girls Club.
- No tryouts
- For more information, please see [www.mipositiveplace.org](http://www.mipositiveplace.org)

## **Coach Cree's Summer Island Hoop Camp**

- Camps are organized shortly after school closes for summer
- Open to players from 1st to 8th grade
- Camp details available NOW on [www.islandhoopcamp.com](http://www.islandhoopcamp.com), registration in April



# Thank You!

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**Website:**

**[www.mercerislandbasketball.org](http://www.mercerislandbasketball.org)**

**Questions:**

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