

HALL COUNTY

Basketball 2025-2026

Hall County Parks & Leisure



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Expectations for Everyone

Focus on the kids!!

Be the positive role model that the kids deserve.

Respect for game officials, coaches, clock and score keepers.



Expectations for Facilities

Practices at school facilities

- Leave facilities as you found them
- Everyone must stay in the gym area
- Do not prop doors open
- Make sure all trash is picked up when you leave
- It is a privilege to use these facilities



Expectations for Coaches

Insist that your players & fans demonstrate good sportsmanship toward the opposing team and the officials.

Insist that all of your players demonstrate grace in winning & dignity in losing.

Do not teach, tolerate, or allow taunting of other teams, “trash talking,” or foul language at any point.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE: Compliment good plays by opposing players and do not get confrontational with officials, coaches, players, or fans.



Zero Tolerance Policy

The Zero Tolerance Policy is in effect for the entire season for **EVERYONE**.

This includes all coaches, athletes, and fans.

Anyone that is ejected from a game is automatically ineligible to be at the next game.

Further suspension will be reviewed and decided by HCPL staff.

A second offense will result in a suspension for the remainder of the season.



Mandatory Reporting Policy

All coaches who are a part of Hall County Parks & Leisure are responsible to report any reasonable suspicion or knowledge of abuse to minors, including inappropriate touching, sexual or physical abuse, child endangerment, or neglect to Hall County Risk Department or an Immediate Supervisor or League Director.

All Coaches are subject to this and is a mandatory policy to agree to once becoming a coach for Hall County Parks & Leisure



Background Checks

We will require all coaches are on teams complete a full background check through NAYS.

Go to www.nays.org and create your coaches profile where it says register.

- Page 1: Fill out all required information to create an account and select youth sports coach.
- Page 2: Fill out all required information and select what age group that you will be coaching.
- Page 3: Select Hall Co. Parks & Leisure for affiliated organization, once selected, Select NAYS coach at bottom of page.
- Once steps are completed, go back to dashboard and press Background Check. We will pay for background check itself but will be unable to pay for any additional trainings that NAYS offers.
- Once background check is selected you may checkout and submit consent to have the background check take place.



Bench Rules

Only approved coaches or scorekeepers will be allowed in the bench area.

Each team is allowed one head coach, one assistant coach, and a scorekeeper to be present in the bench area.

Anyone that does not have a BGC on file with HCPL will not be allowed in the bench area.



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League Layouts



Recreational League Philosophy

It is the goal of the HCPL athletic staff to provide a recreational league that allows the youth of our county to have fun and learn life skills through organized athletic activities. This is aimed at ensuring an equal and fun atmosphere that offers a positive learning experience for all that are involved. It is important that the fundamentals of the game are taught in a way that allows for participants to learn and develop in a competitively relaxed setting.



Important Dates

Week of November 17th – Game Schedule Begins (K-3/Elite)

Week of December 1st – Game Schedule Begins (Rec 4th-8th)

Game schedule will go through 12/20 and then break for Christmas and New Years (will resume after the first of the year 1/3).



Game Time Layout

- The time blocks will be as follows:

- Weekdays

- 5:45pm
 - 7:00pm
 - 8:15pm

- Saturdays

- 9:00am
 - 10:00am
 - 11:00am
 - 12:00pm
 - 1:00pm
 - 2:00pm
 - 3:00pm
 - 4:00pm
 - (this could be extended if needed)



League Outlines

K – 3rd Grade

- Will play primarily on Saturdays but may have a few games during the week.

4th – 5th Grades

- Will play weekday games on a Tuesday/Friday set-up.

6th-8th Grades

- Will play Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday.

Elite League

- Will play on a Monday/Thursday schechle



Game Schedule Outline

Games are subject to begin the week of 11/17.

Regular season games should conclude by the end of January

The end of season tournament will begin at the conclusion of the regular season. These games are subject to be any day of the week.



Uniforms

NBA replicas will be used for all Recreational League teams. HCPL will work with the vendor to get uniform orders placed.

Elite teams must supply their own uniforms, but must adhere to the uniform stipulations set forth by HCPL. No taping of numbers is allowed. (See Complete Rules and Regulations for details)

- Legal Numbers – 0-5 or any combination of it.



Rule Changes

Game Times

- 18 minutes halves.

Overtime Rules

- Added that Recreational League can have a 2-minute overtime

Games

- 8 game regular season w/ 2 game guarantee tournament. (10 games total)



Prominent Rule Outline

Teams can start the game with four players. There is no grace period, game time is game time.

K-5th Grade and 6th-8th Girls will use a 28.5 basketball; 6th-8th Boys will use a 29.5

For all divisions, the scoreboard will remain on regardless of the score (no resetting of score).

After 9 minutes of the second half has elapsed and there is a 30-point lead by a team the clock will run continuously except for injuries & timeouts (see mercy rule).



Prominent Rule Outline

Free throw – players can move on release

3-Point Shots

- Will count for all age groups
- If fouled while attempting a 3 point shot, they will receive 3 free-throws



Prominent Rule Outline

K-1st – 3 point arc press in effect

- Players will have 15 sec. from the time the ball is in-bounded to break the three-point line.
- Defense can come out after the ball breaks the three-point line.

2nd-3rd – Half court press in effect

- If a team is up by 15 points – defense must start beyond the timeline of the offensive team

K-3rd - Fast break rule

- No passing up court to gain advantage, dribbling fast breaks are allowed.

K-3rd - Correctable violations in the backcourt.

- If a ball does roll out of bounds in the backcourt, it will result in a turnover.



Prominent Rule Outline

One coach is allowed on the court for Kindergarten and 1st Grade.

- Coaches must stay between the time lines.
- No coaches under the basket at anytime.

Full Court Press – 4th – 8th Grade Rec and All Elite

- If one team gains a 15 point advantage, they will not be allowed to full court press (Recreation League Only)



Prominent Rule Outline

Overtime:

- Recreational League will have a 2 minute overtime. After the 2 minutes is over the game can end in a tie (regular season).
- Elite - 2 minute overtime. If the game is still tied after the two minute overtime, the game will finish with a sudden death overtime. First team to score will win. Free-throws do count as a scoring play.
- Elite League will follow this format until there is a winner, regardless of the time limit.
- No timeouts in overtime



Prominent Rule Outline

Equal Playing Time

- Players must play at least 9 minutes in the 1st half and at a minimum of 5 minutes in the 2nd half of the game.
- Although this is our baseline rule, we encourage that all players get as much playing time as possible and that it done equally across all players.



Complete Rules and Regulations

Updated versions will be available on Monday, 11/4.

- www.hallcountysports.com
- Under “Basketball” tab



Coaching Drills

K-1st Grade

<https://youtu.be/Mb2z3nzOFDE?si=cisUjhYxHZWnTC7V>

<https://youtu.be/WOsNcAfuPAk?si=ydqwmdXKCr8PHetm>

<https://youtu.be/-viReV-IOQ?si=sYHpbek6G7raVFd2>

2nd-3rd Grade

<https://youtu.be/Dikg7f870iM?si=RNeJqLibvoRswv5U>

<https://youtu.be/Cm34CsIixC4?si=B3MvLoh4LiD8jQBw>

4th-8th Grade

https://youtu.be/_cGfvoLibN4?si=3_BhDcA1UhkgpZvO

General

<https://youtu.be/mjQY1epTRto?si=PczJV2kzQuM3nAzU>

https://youtu.be/-3ZQ7rK_Rzc?si=PWRO0O-qKQCYNwFA

