



The Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament was created to lend support to youth sports and youth athletic programs in the local community. The tournament will be a round robin tournament and will crown a champion in the U8, U10, U12 and U14 boys' age groups.

Each participating team will be guaranteed at least 3 games.

The tournament will be played at local high schools in the South Metro Atlanta Area. Competition will begin on **March 11th** and will continue through **March 13th**. The activities will conclude with the Championship games on March 20th. Each age group will have one facility that will host tournament play and the championship games for all age groups will be played at one location on **March 20th**.

Participation Details:

- **Each participant will receive an Official Chick-Fil-A Tournament Bag containing gifts and prizes from our sponsors**
- **Each participant will receive an Official Chick-Fil-A Tournament T-Shirt**
- **Each participant will receive an Official Chick-Fil-A Certificate of Participation**
- **The 1st place finisher in each age group will receive**
 1. **(1) individual 1st place award**
 2. **The team will receive (1) wood 40" 3 post 1st place trophy**
 3. **Free Chick-fil-A meals for (1) calendar year**
- **The 2nd place finisher in each age group will receive**
 1. **(1) individual 2nd place award**
 2. **The team will receive (1) wood 26" 3 post 2nd place trophy**
 3. **Free Chick-Fil-A nuggets for (1) calendar year**
- **There will be (1) tournament MVP in each age group. The award will be a 6" x 8" resin plaque**

This tournament is an invitational event and registration must be approved by Chick-Fil-A. The registration fee is \$150 per team. There is a 10 player roster limit. It takes at least 8 players to make a team and all players must participate.

Birth Certificates are required for participation.

Interested teams should contact the tournament director (Wesley Goggins) for more information.

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Official Participation Form

Team Name: _____ Rec League/Park: _____ Age group: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age on Dec. 31, 2009: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

List any medical/special needs conditions: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail address: _____

Please circle your t-shirt size: youth small; youth medium; youth large; youth x-large; adult small; adult medium; adult large; adult xl; adult xxl; adult xxxl

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY & PARENT / GUARDIAN CANNOT BE REACHED CONTACT:

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Phone: _____

Consent to Medical Treatment:

I, the undersigned, as parent or legal guardian of the above specified minor, authorize such physician or medical staff as Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament workers may designate to carry out any minor medical or surgical treatment and / or medication necessary or to take my minor child or ward to the emergency room of the nearest hospital and its medical staff to provide treatment deemed necessary by them for the well being of my child or ward. It is understood, however, that if hospitalization or treatment of a more serious nature is required that I will be contacted if possible by telephone for permission.

Waiver and Release:

I hereby certify that my minor child or ward is in good condition and able to safely compete in the Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament. I am fully aware of the hazards and voluntarily assume all risks of injury that my minor child or ward may sustain as a result of the participation in this event. I (and my minor child or ward) hereby release all Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament workers, Chick-fil-A Inc., Clayton County Public Schools, and all of their respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies, and all of their co-sponsoring company(ies), agency(ies), or individual(s) (collectively the "Parties") from responsibility for any injuries or damages that my minor child or ward may suffer as a result of my participation in this event, even if caused or contributed to by the negligence of the Parties. I, and my minor child or ward, hereby agree not to file a claim or bring suit against any of the Parties with respect to any such injury or damage my child or ward may suffer by participating in this event. I have read and fully understand the above waiver and release and have explained the same to my minor child or ward. I hereby agree that my minor child or ward and I would be bound thereby.

Publicity:

With respect to Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament only, I hereby give the Parties permission to take photographs of my minor child or ward, or photographs in which my minor child or ward may be involved during the Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament, without compensation to me. These photographs may be used by the Parties for promotional and informational purpose in print, on websites and in other media.

Date _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Birth Certificate _____ Received by: _____ Shirt Size: _____



Official Tournament Rules

1. Games will be played using a running clock (2) 16 minute halves for U12 & U14 age group and (2)15 minute halves for the U10 group. The U8 division will be played using (2) 14 minute halves. The clock will stop at the halfway point in each half for substitutions. Each team will receive (2) 45sec. timeouts per half and may substitute during the timeouts. A regulation clock will be used in the last 2:30 of each half
2. If the lead reaches 20 or more points, the clock will run through the last quarter period minutes. The clock will not be stopped during free throw situations.
2. All players suited up and on the bench must play in every game. Any player unable to compete may not be listed in the official scorebook and may not be on the bench in uniform.
3. No full court pressing by the team that is in the lead once the lead reaches 20 points.
4. There 2 time outs per half. Each team will receive 1 time out in overtime. After a time out during a free throw situation, the clock starts when the ball is back in play. This means someone in play must touch the ball after the free throw situation ends for the clock to start.
5. Overtimes are two minutes and thirty seconds in all age groups. All overtime periods will start with a jump ball.
6. All other rules that are not stated above will follow the Georgia High School Association rules. Any changes in GHSA rules made by the spring of each year will also be implemented in our program for that summer.
7. Pre-game and halftime are usually 3-5 minutes, but may be shortened at the discretion of the referees and tournament officials in order to keep games on time. Come stretched and prepared to play by your scheduled time.
8. The Chick-Fil-A Youth Freeplay Basketball Tournament guarantees a minimum of 3 games. The tournament will be a round robin tournament. The championship game will be comprised of the teams from Pool A and Pool B with the best win lost record. In the event of a tie we will take the head to head winner and then fewest points allowed.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

1. All teams must have a matching set of jerseys with numbers on the back. Numbers are requested to be in accordance with standard the Georgia High School Association rules if at all possible. Teams are suggested to use reversible jerseys or have a home and away set. The tournament will not provide uniforms!
2. No games may begin without a coach!

4. Age and eligibility are the only protested items. The protest fee is \$75 and is refundable if the protest is confirmed valid. All referee and staff decisions are final. Any person-coach/player/parent/fan who berates a tournament official, staff, other coach, player, parent, referee, or fan will be ejected immediately from the tournament. Those who do not leave immediately will be removed by authorities.
5. Disorderly conduct, damage to facilities, or violations of rules in the opinion of the tournament staff will cause you and your team to be ejected from the tournament. You will immediately forfeit all subsequent games and all fees/admissions paid.
6. There will be a roster limit of 10 players. At least 8 players are needed to make a team. **DO NOT CALL US WITH ROSTER CHANGES!** Make these on your final roster form, which you will present at the check-in table prior to your first game. At this time your roster will be frozen.
7. All players must submit a valid birth certificate to the tournament director to verify eligibility. A copy of the birth certificate will be maintained by the tournament director during tournament play.
8. Any challenges of a player's eligibility must be made **BEFORE** game time to a tournament director. **COACHES** are responsible to see that their team meets all eligibility requirements.
9. Awards are given to a minimum of 1st place, 2nd place teams.
10. Passes will be issued at the tournament upon check in for a maximum of the uniformed players on the roster, 2 coaches, and 1 scorekeeper per team. Not for managers or cheerleaders, etc... Anyone trying to bypass admission will be removed by the authorities.
11. The Chick-Fil-A Youth Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament will not refund any tournament fees paid if a tournament is cancelled for reasons beyond our control, including, but not limited to, floods, acts of war, bomb threats, and gym reservations cancelled without adequate notice to THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT, natural disasters, etc...
12. You must bring your own balls for warm-ups. THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT will provide the official game ball.
14. Any forfeits will count as a game towards your three game minimum. Any team which forfeits a game will forfeit all subsequent games and all fees/admissions paid and are removed from the tournament. In case of a first round forfeit in the tournaments, the team receiving the forfeit may play the next game on the winner's side of the bracket. The tournament directors will try to work with teams receiving forfeits so they may pick up an extra game when possible. This is not guaranteed, however, but we will make every effort to do so.
15. The Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament and the host site and all staff members are not responsible for injuries to players, coaches, spectators, or guests. We do not carry health insurance. Injuries are the responsibility of the player's own health insurance.
16. Once the schedule is set or received by you, **DO NOT CALL US TO CHANGE GAME TIMES!** Do not register if you can't play during the normal tournament hours, which are 6PM-8PM on Thursday and Friday, 8AM-8PM on Saturday. The Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament reserves the right to change the schedule at any time. If we need to make changes in your first game time, we will call you. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING FOR CHANGES IN THE BRACKETS OR RULES POSTED AT THE TOURNAMENT AT ALL TIMES! GO BY THE POSTED SCHEDULE...NOT THE BRACKET CHARTS!! THE TOURNAMENT IS NOT RESPONSIBLE IF YOU MISS YOUR GAME TIME!** Remember, you can check on our website for schedule changes right up to the day of the tournament.

17. ALL ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE once we receive your fee at the tournament office. If we do not run a bracket and cannot combine brackets, only then will we refund an entry fee.
18. Make sure your roster is in agreement with the rules for tournament play. The Chick-Fil-A Freeplay Youth Basketball Tournament is not responsible for your errors if a player loses eligibility.
19. THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT staff reserve the right to shorten the length of halves, halftime, or time between games to keep the schedule on time, or in cases out of our control, such as a power outage at a gym site.
20. THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT reserves the right to modify all or any of these rules for the good of all teams involved.
21. YOU MUST COMPLETE A FINAL ROSTER FORM AND PRESENT IT UPON CHECK-IN IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR PASSES. This will be e-mailed with your schedule. We DO NOT accept faxed rosters, and DO NOT mail the form to us! Do not ask us for a form when you get to the tournament!!!
22. The age control date for participation is December 31, 2009. THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT reserves the right to modify this rule.
23. Please notify the tournament staff IF YOU WILL MISS YOUR SCHEDULED GAME!! If you must leave the tournament early, please notify the tournament director. This allows us to give your games to others who wish to play, and helps avoid forfeits.
24. The U8 & U10 boys' bracket will use the 28.5" ball. The U12 & U14 boys' bracket will use the regulation size 29.5" ball. The tournament director has the right to modify this rule.
25. Players MUST be wearing their jerseys and be listed on the roster to be admitted to the tournament at all times.
26. Teams MUST bring their own medical supplies. This includes ice, bandages, tape, etc....DO NOT ask us or the concession stand to supply these! As a coach, please be responsible and bring a medical kit for your team's protection
27. THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT cannot be responsible for teams that do not show at tournaments or fail to call in advance to cancel. These scheduled games do count toward your guaranteed amount of games. All THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT directors will work with you to try to make up these games. If THE CHICK-FIL-A FREEPLAY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT is unable to supply you with a tournament by not having enough teams at the entry deadline, you will receive a full refund. Under no other circumstances are refunds awarded one a tournament schedule is released. All complaints must be put in writing and sent to the Tournament Director Wesley Goggins (The FreePlay Foundation for Youth Sports, Inc.). Only written complaints will be taken from this point forward. He will review all complaints and follow-up with you via mail.
29. All team fees are paid by cash or money order.
30. The tournament brackets will seeded by win loss records, perceived strength of schedule and at the discretion of the board of directors. We will make every attempt to seed the tournament fairly.

U8 RULES

1. The U8 division will be played on 8ft. goals using (2) 14 minute halves. The clock will stop at the halfway point in each half for substitutions. The coach is not required to substitute during this timeout. Each team will receive (2) 45sec. timeouts per half and may substitute during the timeouts. There will be free substitutions.
2. The game will begin with a jump ball.
3. The U8 boys will use the 28.5" ball.
4. Defense must be played inside the 3 point line. Half court defense may be played in the last quarter period of each half.
5. The offensive team may fast break during the last 2:30 of the half. The ball should not be defended in the back court at any point.
6. Once a defensive rebound occurs and possession changes. The defense should immediately return to the front court to set-up the defensive alignment.
7. All traveling violations will be called
8. Overtime periods are 2:30 and a winner will be determined.

U10 RULES

1. The U10 division will be played on 10ft. goals using 2(15) minute halves. The clock will stop at the halfway point in each half for substitutions. The coach is not required to substitute during this timeout. Each team will receive (2) 45sec. timeouts per half and may substitute during the timeouts. There will be free substitutions.
2. The game will begin with a jump ball.
3. The U10 boys will use the 28.5" ball.
4. Whole court defense may be played after the substitution timeout in the middle of the half.
5. The U10 boys' games will be played in accordance with the rules of the Georgia High School Association.
6. Overtime periods are 2:30 and a winner will be determined.

U12 & U14 RULES

1. The U12 division will be played on 10ft. goals using 2(16) minute halves. The clock will stop at the halfway point in each half for substitutions. The coach is not required to substitute during this timeout. Each team will receive (2) 45sec. timeouts per half and may substitute during the timeouts. There will be free substitutions.
2. The game will begin with a jump ball.
3. The U12 boys will use the 29.5" ball.
4. The U12 boys' games will be played in accordance with the rules of the Georgia High School Association.
5. Overtime periods are 2:30 and a winner will be determined.