

South Fremont/Newark National Junior Basketball League

For more information check out our website at www.njbsouthfremont.org or call 510-888-2218.

Mission of the National Junior Basketball (NJB) Program:

- To inspire our youth; regardless of race, color, creed, or national origin.
- To practice the ideals of health, citizenship and character.
- To impart the game elements of safety, sanity, and intelligent supervision; and to keep the welfare of the player first, foremost, and entirely free of adult lust for glory.
- To emphasize teamwork for all participants.

National Junior Basketball was founded in 1984 in Orange County, California and currently covers 7 western states.

South Fremont Chapter

The South Fremont NJB chapter was founded in 1988. All regular season games are held on Sundays, and tournament games are on Saturday and Sunday. Teams are drafted in October each year, practices begin in November, and games are played in December, January, February and March. Practices are in the evenings.

South Fremont NJB offers two different basketball programs:

Divisional Teams are for boys and girls in grades 3 through 8.

All-Net Teams are for advanced players in grades 5 through 8.

Divisional Teams

Every player who signs up is evaluated, and is either placed on a Divisional Team or invited to try out for All-Net. Divisional games are divided into five eight-minute periods. Each player will play two full periods in the first four periods. In the 5th period, the coach can freely substitute at his/her discretion.

There are separate teams for boys and girls in each division. The schedule includes ten games in the regular season

Division 3 – 3rd and 4th Grade

Division 2 – 5th and 6th Grade

Division 1 – 7th and 8th Grade

Rule amendments are made for each division to ensure that the players have every opportunity to develop their basketball skills that are age appropriate. South Fremont NJB Divisional teams may travel to other gyms in the Alameda Section, which include North Fremont, Hayward/Union City, and Castro Valley.

All-Net Teams

All-Net includes 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teams, with separate teams for Boys and Girls.

All-Net is a more competitive environment than Divisional play. All-Net teams are selected during tryouts held before Divisional player evaluations. *In some cases, players may be selected from the Divisional evaluations and asked to participate in an additional tryout if they are interested in playing All Net.*

All-Net plays four eight-minute quarters, and play by the National Federation of High School rules. Travel is required to locations around the bay area, including South Bay, Mid-Peninsula, and North Bay. Playing time is not guaranteed and is determined by the coach.

High School plays four eight-minute quarters, and play by the National Federation of High School rules. Travel is required to locations around the Alameda County Chapter. Playing time is not guaranteed and is determined by the coach.

Varsity– 11th and 12th Grade

Junior Varsity – 9th and 10th Grade

Year End Tournaments

Following completion of the NJB ten-game season, each Divisional

team is entered into a year-end tournament. Teams participate in the "Friendship" or "Championship" tournaments based on their season win/loss record. Trophies are awarded in each tournament, for every division.

All-Net teams also have a year-end tournament separate from the Divisional tournaments.

To help cover the additional gymnasium and referee costs of these tournaments, there will be a nominal entrance fee at the door. The tournaments will be completed by the end of March each year.

All-Star Tournaments

At the end of the season, each Divisional player votes for a team of players to represent South Fremont in the sectional All-Star tournament. The All-Star tournament includes South and North Fremont, as well as Hayward/Union City, and Castro Valley. Teams winning first and second place in the All-Star sectional tournament qualify for the National All-Star tournament held in Orange County, California, in early to mid-April each year.

Registration Information

Registration fees only cover 54% of the league budget. Other fundraisers are also required to cover the full budget, which includes the cost of gym fees (for practices and games), referee fees, uniforms, insurance, awards, scholarships, etc. Registration fees are currently \$225 per player for Divisional, \$225 per player for All-Net (Depending on certain factors), and \$245 per player for High School Players. Discounts for siblings are available. Registration begins September 2. All players must sign up online at our website www.njbsouthfremont.org. NJB chapters have boundaries, and South Fremont/Newark NJB players must reside within zip codes of 94538, 94539 or 94560. Players living outside those zip codes can go to the NJB National website www.njbl.org and find how to contact their local chapter.

Fundraising

Annually South Fremont NJB holds fundraisers that cover 26% of our budgeted expenses. Participation in the fundraiser is mandatory, and helps to keep the registration fees low.

Our fundraiser option has been changed this year by way of popular decision.

Upon registration, each player must select the option to donate the fundraiser portion of our budgeted income. This may be a tax deduction for you. Please consult your tax profession for more on this information.

Both the registration and fundraiser fees must be taken care of on-line during your child's registration in order for them to be eligible to participate at tryouts/evaluations.

In the event of wait list status: You must still register your child on line (paying NO FEES) for your child to be eligible for tryouts and evaluations. If your child is placed on a team from the wait list you will be contacted for payment of all fees due. Fees must be paid prior to child joining team practice or games.

Team Sponsorships

Team sponsorships represent 9% of the league budget. Team sponsors are made up of local businesses and charitable donors who are looking for advertising and exposure to our league. The team sponsors are also designed to reduce the out-of-pocket expenses incurred by players and their families.

Divisional Teams (3rd-8th grade) \$400 Minimum
High School & All Net Teams \$500 Minimum

All teams must raise the minimum sponsorship amount for their division before Opening Day (usually the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day). The names of the sponsors will be announced at the Opening Day ceremonies for additional exposure. The minimum sponsorship contribution is \$25.

Team sponsors are listed on the South Fremont chapter website, www.njbsouthfremont.org, and in the All Star Program Book at

the National All Star Tournament.

In addition, team sponsors donating \$200 or more will receive a team plaque and picture.

Divisional Teams collecting more than the minimum in sponsor monies may use the additional funds to pay for extra practice gym time, shooting shirts, player team parties and/or training aids.

Interested in Coaching?

We are always looking for coaches, assistant coaches, referees and other volunteers to make NJB the best youth basketball league possible. Call the league office at 510-888-2218 if you are interested – we would LOVE to hear from you!