



**The SHREWSBURY BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION 2023 - 24 Winter Travel Team Tryouts /
4th - 8th Grade Girls & Boys / SEPTEMBER 30TH & OCTOBER 1ST / 2:00PM - 8:00PM**

LOCATION: SHREWSBURY HIGH SCHOOL GYM

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Fair play and good sportsmanship are the SBA trademarks and our goal is to prepare boys & girls grades 4th - 8th for High School play by teaching each player the fundamental and technical skills of TEAM basketball in a highly competitive environment. For those that have played organized basketball, you will find Travel Ball a rewarding experience as they build upon their existing skill sets and truly take their games to the next level. The program is open to ALL Shrewsbury residents who possess a general understanding of the game and are interested in competitive, structured basketball against other towns' select teams.

Parents and players should understand the commitment, level of competition and estimated cost for the 10 game season.

TRYOUTS

Players must be enrolled in a Shrewsbury school and be in 4th - 8th grade. Each grade and gender will have two tryouts. If a player is new to the program, attending both tryouts is highly recommended.

As this is a highly competitive league, players will be graded on the following:

- General Understanding of Basketball
- Ball Handling
- Passing
- Shooting
- Defensive Concepts (Man to Man / Zone Defense starting at the 6th Grade Level)
- Offensive Concepts
- Character / Team Player

The Teams will be formed based on gender and current grade. The recommended roster size is 10 players, if enough kids are chosen we would have multiple teams for that age group. The Top Ten players will form the "A" Team for each gender / grade. Additional teams will be formed based on number of players for B & C teams. It is important to note, if a player was on the "A" team last season their spot is not guaranteed. Players that are selected for a team will be notified within 48 hours. Please note the following for players self-esteem and participation:

1. All players trying out are not guaranteed a spot on a team.
2. Once chosen for a team, equal playing time is not guaranteed.
3. Please consider your child's basketball ability prior to attending to prevent disappointment
4. Players not selected are strongly encouraged to develop skills in the St. Joseph's Youth Basketball program.
5. Player selection is a one year commitment only.

Practices will begin in late October and are at least twice per week for one hour and 30 minutes for pre-season. Once games start in December, we drop to one practice per week.

Games run December to early / late March. The overall length of the season will ultimately be determined by qualifying for the League Playoffs followed by the MA State Travel Ball Tournament.

The per player fee for the 2023 - 24 season will be \$350 + Uniforms (approx. \$100 for NEW jersey and shorts). Returning players can use last seasons uniforms as there are no design changes.

If financial assistance is needed, we have scholarships available. For more information please email SBA.travelbasketball@gmail.com

TRYOUT SCHEDULE

2:00PM - 3:00PM / 4th Grade Boys, 4th & 5th Grade Girls

3:00PM - 4:00PM / 5th Grade Boys

4:00PM - 5:00PM / 6th Grade Boys & Girls

5:00PM - 6:00PM / 7th Grade Boys & Girls

6:00PM - 7:00PM / 8th Grade Boys & Girls