Fowler Red Cedar 3rd - 6th Grade Basketball Program 2023

Welcome! We hope this is a positive basketball experience for your athlete, as well as for you. Here are a few things that people frequently want to know.

Practices: Team practices begin the week of November 13. Coaches will provide players with a practice schedule. Now that the Fowler Athletic Center is in full use, we are hopeful the practice schedule is more accommodating than it has been in the past. Teams are limited to up to 2 practices a week. FPS has a no practice policy on Sundays.

Games: 3rd – 6th grade basketball plays approximately 6-8 games. Any less than 6 games the coordinator will attempt to schedule additional games. **FPS has a policy of no practices or games on Sundays.** Approximately half of the games are played in Fowler with the remaining games being played in various towns (St. Johns, Portland, Ionia, Ovid, P-W, Perry, Haslett, Dewitt, etc.)

Game dates, rules, and forms are posted on fowlerschools.net website under Athletics – 3rd – 6th Grade Athletics - 3rd-6th Grade RCL Basketball.

- Game schedules will be posted Nov. 28 on **redcedarhoops.com**. Games are approximately 1 hour. All games are scheduled through the Red Cedar League (redcedarhoops.com).

Game dates are as follows: 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, and 2/10.

Game times vary anywhere from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

Uniforms: Each athlete will be issued a Fowler jersey and shorts to wear. The uniforms are property of FPS and will need to be returned to their COACH at the conclusion of the season.

Coaches: Coaches are usually parent volunteers and will be your main source of communication. **If you are interested in coaching, please contact Cari Smith at <u>caris@mhtparish.com</u>.**

Coaches are required to complete a concussion training online tutorial.

Emergency Information and Consent Form: Forms are available on the www.fowlerschools.net - Athletics - 3rd-6th Grade Athletics. Forms are due to the Red Cedar League on Nov. 16th. Please turn in completed forms to your son/daughter's COACH or the Waldron or MHT office ASAP.

Pay to Participate Fee: There is a \$30 pay to participate fee to help offset some of the expenses. Checks can be written to Fowler Public Schools. For more information visit the fowlerschools.net - Athletics - 3rd-6th Grade Athletics - 3rd-6th Grade RCL Basketball

Game Day Workers: We are asking each family to volunteer and sign up for a ticket gate slot or concession slot over the course of the season to help the program run smoothly. There will be a Sign Up Genius link sent once practices start.

Admission: Standard admission is \$3.00 per person, \$2.00 per student. Fowler Athletic passes will be accepted at home games.

Playing Time: Coaches are expected to provide quality practice time and quality game time every practice/game.

Tournaments: FPS policy does NOT permit any tournament play from the first practice of the season until the last game has concluded.

Holiday Break: There is a two week holiday break with no games, however, coaches may schedule scrimmages and practices during this break.

Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any additional questions. Go Fowler Eagles!

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