

#### **HOPEWELL VALLEY YMCA**



# MARCH 1, 2024 – MARCH 29, 2024 TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

It's tourney time!!! Draft your team, throw on your jerseys, lace up your sneakers and get ready for the annual Hopewell Valley YMCA Tom Jackson 3v3 Basketball Tournament. Show your <u>school spirit</u> and take part in this <u>fun event!</u>. Students will have the opportunity to enter a team into the tournament or join a team, to get <u>moving</u> and <u>having fun!</u>

The tournament is open to all 3<sup>RD</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> grade students and is free to register and play; there will be a boys division and girls division. For 2024, we will continue the format of "region" brackets for both divisions, with "regions" aka grade level matched games created, ultimately leading to an overall 3<sup>rd</sup> grade champion, 4<sup>th</sup> grade champion and 5<sup>th</sup> grade champion and the champions will receive the HOPEWELL VALLEY YMCA TOM JACKSON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT DICK FITZPATRICK CHAMPION TROPHY. The Championship winning team players and coach will receive individual trophies and the winning school will receive a larger trophy to be displayed for a year. In the event a region doesn't have enough teams registered for competition, teams will compete in the next region up. If a team is comprised of multiple grade levels, the team will play in the highest registered player's grade level region. (Example: A team with grade levels of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> will play in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade region)

#### Volunteer Referees

If you are interested and available to help volunteer as a referee, please email the tournament director, Daniel Williams, dwilliams@hvymca.org.

## \*\*\* New for 2024 Scoreboard working assignments

This year, teams will be assigned to work the scoreboard for the games prior to their scheduled game. Once the game schedule is created, you will see an area on the schedule for "work team". The work team will be responsible for working the scoreboard and recording the final score of their assigned game.

#### Registration:

Boys Division Registration Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/MJ7HezsKksqHhUJA7">https://forms.gle/MJ7HezsKksqHhUJA7</a>

Girls Division Registration Link: https://forms.qle/qwS4CiTcocWLW5RV9

One form per player must be submitted with parent signature, team name and additional players listed on the form. Players on the same team should be from the same school.

Any coaches indicated, must also submit an online registration or they will not be cleared. Coaches are not permitted to play.

A little bit about Tom Jackson...

The 3 v 3 basketball tournaments are supported by the Hopewell Valley YMCA's Tom Jackson Fund in honor of Thomas R. Jackson, a long time Pennington resident and dedicated sports enthusiast. Tom's friends and family remember his dedication to an active and healthy life and as a person who epitomized the teamwork, determination, and competitive spirit of a champion.

The community comes together each year in his honor at our annual Tom Jackson Champion Golf Tournament. Proceeds from the event go to the Tom Jackson Fund. Through this fund, Tom's legacy and love of sports continue in support of Hopewell Valley YMCA youth sports programs so every child in the Hopewell Valley community can participate and foster connections through fitness, sports, fun and shared interests.



# Hopewell Valley YMCA Tom Jackson 3 vs 3 Basketball Tournament 2024 March Mania

Division: Boys  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$  grade Division: Girls  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$  grade

We would like to invite all  $3^{rd}$ ,  $4^{th}$ ,  $5^{th}$  grade HVRSD students to participate in the 2024 March Mania Basketball Tournament.

Registration: Online Registration only; Registration closes 2/23/2024

# Rules and General Information

Side Baskets Full Court 3 vs 3 games Single Elimination

20 Minute Games; (4 - 4minute quarters, 1 minute break in between each quarter; 2-minute overtime if necessary)

2 minute warm-up for each team prior to the beginning of their game

A running clock will be used for each quarter; the clock will only be stopped for injuries, referee time stoppages; fouls within the last 30 seconds of the second and fourth quarter Limit: A student can only play for 1 team

Teams may have a maximum of 4 players; Individual registration is also accepted and will be assigned a team

The game schedules, times and work assignments will be announced closer to the tournament start date. All games will take place in Timberlane Middle School's back gym.

## Scoring:

Points will be awarded in alignment with court markings The ball will change possession after each made basket

<u>Substitutions:</u> Teams with more than 3 players MUST substitute at the end of each quarter. Only 1 substitution will be permitted during this time. Teams will not be permitted to substitute during game play. Exceptions will be made for injuries.

# **Boundaries:**

The ball must start out of bounds at which time the ball must be passed to a teammate to begin play. The ball is deemed out of bounds if the ball or the player with the ball steps on or over the established ground markings indicating the boundaries.

#### Fouls:

Anytime a foul is called, play will stop and the ball will be passed in to play by the team that is awarded the ball. If fouled in the act of shooting, the player will be awarded 2 foul shots.

#### Sportsmanship:

Good sportsmanship is expected. Remember you are here to have fun with your fellow classmates over your shared love of basketball. Upon completion of the games, players will shake hands and the next games will begin.

#### Coaches:

In order to allow for more students to have a positive impact on the tournament, but may not be interested in playing, we will be allowing coaches for this year's tournament. Teams are permitted to have 1 coach per team. Coaches must be enrolled in any of the four elementary schools and must be in grades  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ . Coaches are optional and are at each teams discretion. Coaches must still act accordingly and will be held to the same standards as all players and guest in attendance. At no time will coaches be permitted to play or substitute into the game. Anyone not indicated as the coach and doesn't meet the criteria will be removed from the sideline and asked to cheer on their team from the bleachers.

#### Parents/Athlete Attendance:

Students registered for the tournament or attending as a spectator, must be accompanied by an adult. Students are not permitted to wander the school unaccompanied. All participants must be picked up by a parent at the conclusion of their game. Parents or family members attending the game are expected to act accordingly. Anyone exhibiting actions to the contrary will be asked to leave the premises before game play will resume.