

**St. Gregory's COLD TURKEY SHOOTOUT – 2018**  
**NEW DATES THIS YEAR**  
**JV & VARSITY Basketball Tournament**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 24th**

**Tournament Schedule:**

Friday – Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

Friday – Sunday, November 16-18<sup>th</sup>

**Tournament Description:**

- New Dates this Year
- JV & Varsity **Diocesan/Catholic School “B” Teams Only** (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Separate Boys & Girls, JV & Varsity Brackets
- Only 4 Teams per Bracket
  - \* Teams will play each opponent in their bracket once for seating
  - \* Two Teams with the Best W/L record will play for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - \* Tie breaker will be the outcome of the seating game between the tied teams.
  - \* 2<sup>nd</sup> Tie breaker will be points allowed.
- All tournament games will use licensed referees
- All tournament games will be played at St. Gregory's Bergman Events Center
- Trophies will go to 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams in each division
- Guaranteed 3 games



**Tournament Registration Fees:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Team - \$140.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Team - \$120.00
- 3 or more teams - \$100 each

**All Your Favorite Tournament Amenities:**

- Contest for prizes during halftime
- Value-packed Concession stand – Plan to eat all your Favorites!
- Super 50/50 Drawing – Winner need not be present to win!

**Tournament Contact Information:**

- Tournament Director/Athletic Director; Jeff Ammerman  
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# St. Gregory COLD TURKEY SHOOTOUT RULES – 2018

The following rules will be in effect for the duration of the Tournament.

## TEAM

1. Each team is guaranteed a minimum of 3 games.
2. Game time is “forfeit time”. No exceptions will be made for late arriving players or coaches. If the game prior to yours is running late, the game will start late and “game time” is not until the prior game ends. No games will start before their scheduled time unless agreed to by both coaches and the game’s officials.
3. A team must have a minimum of 5 players and 1 coach to begin a game. Only players and coaches on the submitted team roster / registration form are eligible to participate or sit on the bench. No “little siblings”, “team managers” or anyone not identified on the roster as a player or coach is permitted near the bench or on the stage.
4. No roster additions will be permitted after the team has begun play of its first tournament game. An individual player may be on roster of only **ONE TEAM**.
5. Line-ups are to be shared with the opponent’s scorekeeper at least 5 minutes prior to a game starting. Each team is expected to provide a non-registered designee to assist in keeping the scorebook.
6. All players on a team must have matching jerseys of similar color, with unique numbers on each. Exceptions must be noted prior to the tournament starting.
7. All players on Team Roster must be enrolled students of the submitting school.
8. All Players on Team Roster must meet Diocesan Rules as they apply to age for JV and Varsity. No Players are permitted to “play down”.
9. Not playing/coaching in a Christ-like manner is not acceptable.
10. Two (2) Flagrant Fouls (fighting, direct technical, etc.) during a game on any player, coach or team representative will result in their disqualification for the remainder of the tournament. The Tournament Director and/or St. Gregory Director of Basketball will make the final decision on any disqualifications.
11. Coaches and Teams are expected to check in at least 20 minutes before their scheduled game. Coaches are advised to check the master schedule and compare the schedule you have before your first game.

## GAMES

1. **Game play will follow the Pittsburgh Diocesan Youth Basketball rules for JV and Varsity teams**, with minor exceptions noted here.
2. The clock will not stop for the remainder of the game, should a point margin of 25 points or greater exist.
3. Teams will be given three (3) sixty-second time-outs & two (2) thirty-second time-outs, per game. Unused time-outs cannot be carried over at any time. There will be only one (1) sixty-second time-out per any Overtime.
4. Teams will be given a maximum of ten (10) minutes for half time.
5. All girls’ teams will use a 28.5 size basketball, and all boys’ teams will use a 29.5 basketball. The Tournament Sponsor will provide all game balls.
6. Substitution of players is unlimited. All subs must check-in at the scorer’s table and enter when the ball is not in play, when acknowledged by the official.
7. The Tournament Director and/or St Gregory Director of Basketball shall determine who is HOME and who is AWAY.

8. Any team leading by twenty (20) points will not be allowed to press. This means no organized team defense beyond mid court. For example after a basket, or a dead ball, a team may not line up in a press, or a technical foul will be assessed against the offending coach. If a coach is clearly trying to pull his kids back, the official will hold play, until that coach is successful in pulling the players back, and no technical foul shall be assessed. However, in loose ball situations (off steals or rebounds), a technical foul shall not be assessed if a player by instinct plays full court defense for a few seconds before retreating. Rather, in this instance, the player shall be told to back off by the official – if necessary the ball will be blown dead, and the ball will be inbounded after the defense has backed off. Plays such as this are not an organized press, and shall not be penalized. I believe we all understand the difference between a coached full court press, and a player instinctively transitioning from offense to defense after a turnover or rebound. In short, we will not penalize players who are playing basketball. We will penalize coaches who fail to exercise discretion. Officials can/will assess a technical foul if full court press is used.
9. This is a tournament, and with pools eliminated – margin of victory is no longer a factor. However, sportsmanship shall be enforced and running up the score will not be tolerated. Failure to play in a Christ-like manner, will result in your school no longer being allowed to participate in our Tournament and /or we will report it to the Diocesan Director of Basketball for action. We are not setting a certain score, a rational person should know when it is too much, and if in doubt, coaches should error on the side of letting up. We encourage dialogue between coaches, when a mismatch occurs, so that a resolution can be figured BEFORE a problem occurs.
10. **Overly Physical Play will not be tolerated.** There has been a trend towards more physical play in basketball in recent years, and this is fine, HOWEVER players/teams found to be playing dirty will be removed from the tournament. This notice will be given to the officials, and they will be asked to enforce it. The language will include a distinct difference between “making a play on the ball” & “making a play on the player”. Officials who can’t tell the difference won’t be asked back. Coaches who can’t tell the difference will be asked to leave the tournament.
11. **Overtime:** Overtime periods will be three (3) minutes, with a “jump ball” deciding possession in the first overtime period. If subsequent overtime periods are needed, the possession arrow will be used.
12. **The HOME Team’s scorebook** will be the scorebook of record. Both teams’ scorekeepers should reconcile frequently to avoid discrepancies.
13. **Tournament Finals** will be held between the two teams in each bracket with the best record. In the event of a tie, tie break will be as follows:
  - a. Head to Head result
  - b. Points allowed

## PROTESTS

No protests will be allowed on any competition rules and/or judgment calls made by the officials during the game. All decisions made by the game officials are final.

## GENERAL

1. Submission of a signed roster & payment of the registration fee will constitute acceptance of these rules, and must be submitted prior to playing the first game.
2. By accepting admission into this event, each and every participant accepts responsibility for all injuries and indemnifies the host, event workers, host facilities and all volunteers who have put this event on for your pleasure.

3. The St. Gregory Director of Basketball reserves the right of “*final decision*” pertaining to any and all aspects of the Tournament. The St. Gregory Director of Basketball also reserves the right to change or modify any of the rules listed here, with notification to the affected coaches and teams. This would only be done in the best interest of the Tournament and the Players.
4. **POOR SPORTSMANSHIP WILL NOT BE TOLERATED !!** All **COACHES, PLAYERS & FANS** are expected to demonstrate respect to all officials, players, coaches, fans & tournament volunteers. The use of vulgarity or abusive language is expressly forbidden. The use of alcohol or drugs, or behaving in an abusive manner will not be tolerated. Any individual guilty of violating this policy during any part of the tournament, on any part of the St. Gregory School property, will not be welcomed to future events. Violators may also be asked to leave the facilities without refund of admission or tournament fee. Head & Assistant Coaches exhibiting this behavior may further result in the immediate disqualification of their team from the Tournament.
5. **Facilities Specific**
  - a. No Children, whether players, younger siblings or fans are permitted on or behind the “stage area” of the Events Center.
  - b. “Locker Rooms” in the traditional sense, are not available. There are “Team Rooms” adjacent to the south-end of the gym, for changing shoes and team pep talks. These will be shared by all teams getting ready to play and the teams already playing, so please be considerate of others’ belongings.
  - c. Restrooms are available down the hall, past the entrance & concession stand area. Use of restrooms should be the only reason to be in the school hallway.
  - d. Appropriate “court shoes” must be worn while on the gym floor. If weather is “wet” (rain or snow), please ensure your shoes are clean & dry before entering the gym.
  - e. Children at the tournament are **NOT PERMITTED** to roam throughout the school / church building or “ride” the elevator.
  - f. No food or beverage is permitted in the Team Rooms. Players, Coaches & Officials are permitted water or clear sport drink during games. Drinks should be in spill proof containers.
6. Participation in any additional amenities, such as 50/50 raffle, concession stand purchases, and other contests is entirely voluntary to all guests of the Tournament.
7. Please enjoy your visit to St. Gregory’s and have FUN !!