

Northside Catholic Athletic Association – 44th Annual JV Boys & JV Girls Basketball Tournament

Thursday February 23, 2012 through Sunday March 18, 2012

ALL of your school's JV Basketball teams are cordially invited!

Dear Coach,

Happy New Year and God Bless! It's that time of year again when the members of the Northside Catholic Athletic Association (formerly St Cyril) are pleased to invite you to our 44th annual Junior Varsity Basketball Tournament.

There are deadlines for entering our tournament. If you are not the person responsible for entering your school's JV Boys team, please PROMPTLY forward this package to the party responsible for coordinating entry into our tournament.

Northside Catholics JV tournament will again this year have brackets in Boys A, B, and Girls classifications. Yes, Class "A" schools with "B" JV teams are welcome to attend. We thank you for your continued involvement with our tournament.

Our facilities remain in excellent condition. The gym is well lighted, we have clean dressing rooms, good seating, electric scoreboard, an outstanding refreshment stand, plenty of parking, and a gym floor that has been recently refinished.

All schools in the diocese having JV basketball teams will be invited to participate in the tournament; PIAA referees will officiate each game. Team trophies will be awarded to the first four (4) teams in all classifications. There will be fifteen (15) individual trophies presented to the first and second place team members as well as five (5) all-tournament selections in each bracket. **On your roster, please indicate whether you are an A or B team and your 2012 Diocesan Section.**

Besides this letter, included with this package are the following pages:
(Please note the enclosed pages contain data on both sides of the paper.)

- Remittance Copy for Entry Fee (opposite side of Team Roster form)
- Team Roster Form (opposite side of Remittance Form)
- Tournament "Dates, rules, regulations, etc." (both sides of paper contain information)
- Directions to the Northside Catholic School gym
- Letter discussing the Annual All-Star Tournament games
- Hot Shot Contest rules (opposite side of Hot Shot Form)
- Hot Shot Form (opposite side of Hot Shot Rules)
- Foul Shooting Contest Letter (opposite side of Foul Shooting Form)
- Foul Shooting Form (opposite side of Foul Shooting Contest Letter)

Please mail the following to the address indicated on the Remittance Copy of Entry Fee:

- A check made payable to "Northside Catholic Athletic Association" for the applicable entry fee amount.
- The Remittance Copy of the Entry Fee
- A completed Roster Signed by the coach. PLEASE include coach's e-mail address, as we'd like to continue communicating some of the information via e-mail.
- **If possible, include completed Hot Shot Form and/or Foul Shooting Forms.**

If your registration is not received by Wednesday February 8, 2012, we cannot guarantee your team a position in the tournament. Once the brackets are set it is difficult to make changes.

Remittance Copy for Entry Fee

Note: Tournament: Single Elimination with a two (2) game guarantee

School Name _____
Gender Boys_____ Girls_____
Classification (A or B) _____
2012 Section (i.e. North 1A) _____

Entry Fee (\$150.00) \$ _____
Due by Wednesday February 8, 2012

Additional Donation \$ _____

Optional: If you would like to donate additional funds to offset tournament expenses. Please add the optional amount on the line above.

Total (Add amounts from above) \$ _____

Please mail a check made payable to **“Northside Catholic Athletic Association”** for the TOTAL amount calculated above along with the Roster on the reverse side of Remittance Form.

Please mail entry fee and entry paperwork to:

Joe Kocay
3631 Fleming Ave
Pittsburgh, PA. 15212
Home Phone: 412-761-0266
Cell Phone: 412-508-0265
E-mail: kocayfamily@verizon.net

Entrance fee due by Wednesday February 8, 2012

2012 Tournament – PLAYER ELIGIBILITY ROSTER

DIVISION: A or B (circle one)
 2012 SECTION _____ (i.e. North 1A, etc)
 CURRENT RECORD _____ (inc. section games)

School / Team (include Nickname): _____

Uniform Colors: _____ with _____ colored numerals

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| Head Coach: _____ | Asst. Coach: _____ | Asst. Coach: _____ |
| Home Phone: _____ | Home Phone: _____ | Home Phone: _____ |
| Work Phone: _____ | Work Phone: _____ | Work Phone: _____ |
| Cell Phone: _____ | Cell Phone: _____ | Cell Phone: _____ |
| E-mail: _____ | E-mail: _____ | E-mail: _____ |

Please complete ENTIRE form, including information on ALL coaches

| Player Name | Position | Jersey # |
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- * Class “A” or “B” determined by Diocesan League Section (An “A” school’s “B” team will be in “B”)
- Indicate which player will be the team’s Hot Shot contestant. (Have player complete Hot Shot Form)
- Please neatly complete this form by using legible, printed BLOCK LETTERS.
- Please circle the coach’s phone number by which the Tournament Committee can promptly contact.

I verify that each student player listed meets the eligibility requirements of the St. Cyril Tournament.

COACH’S SIGNATURE _____

COACH’S NAME _____

COACH’S Complete Address (Please print) _____

Northside Catholic Athletic Association - 44th Annual JV Basketball Tournament
Dates, Rules and Regulations

DATES & TIMES:

Start –Thursday February 23, 2012 (evening)

End – Sunday March 18, 2012 (Blue / Gold All Star games)

Championships / Consolation Games: Saturday, March 17

Hot Shot Championships: Saturday, March 17

Foul Shooting Championship: 1:00 pm Sunday March 18, 2012

Blue / Gold All Star Games: Starts 2:30 pm Sunday March 18 with the Girls game tip

Please notify Tournament Committee contacts (on the roster form) – **if you have previously scheduled games on February 23rd through February 26th** . The Tournament Committee **will attempt** to avoid scheduled conflicts on these dates. **AS ALWAYS, CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO CLEAR CONFLICTS WITH DIOCESAN PLAYOFFS, CHEERLEADING COMPETITIONS, OR INCLEMENT WEATHER.**

Because of past problems in scheduling, this rule will **BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. IF YOUR TEAM willfully DECIDES NOT TO SHOW FOR A SCHEDULED TOURNAMENT GAME**, A \$100 surcharge will be invoices to your athletic association.

LOCATION: Northside Catholic’s gym is located at 3854 Brighton Road – Brighton Heights section of the North Side – Pittsburgh, PA. Gym Entrance is on Parviss Street, which is off Benton Avenue. See Map and Directions page for more information.

ENTRY FEE: \$150.00 PER TEAM (SINGLE ELIMINATION, 2 GAMES GUARANTEED).

ADMISSION: Adults- \$3.00 Children - \$1.00 (No family rate available)

ROSTER: Players are eligible who have played on a grade school JV team this year. No player will be eligible who is past the 6th grade. **The roster containing names and uniform numbers of eligible players plus uniform colors must accompany entry fee.**

Please indicate on the enclosed roster sheet, a telephone number or numbers where the coach or coaches can be reached should it be necessary to reach them promptly. Also, please add your return address so that information concerning date and time of your first game can be sent to you.

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Dates, Rules, Regulations (continued)

“A” classification schools will play in the “A” bracket. “B” classification schools will play in “B” bracket.
“A” classification schools having “B” team(s) will play with JV “B” league schools (“B” bracket).

LIABILITY: Northside Catholic Athletic Association, its members, and its agents will NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for any damages or injuries during or resulting from participation in the tournament.

TOURNAMENT RULES: (Please provide a copy of the rules FOR ALL coaches.)

(Also, if possible, please provide a copy of these rules to player’s parents.)

- Each team should be ready twenty (20) minutes before game time
- Games will consist of four (4), six (6) minute quarters
- Three-second and ten-second rules will apply
- Official Basketball rules shall govern all games
- Northside Catholic Athletic Association will supply Officials, Timer, Scorer and Game ball.
- **No one besides the tournament provided Timer & Scorer is to sit a scorer’s table. If a scorer is NOT available for any game Team designated as the “Home” team will be considered the official score book.**
- All players are to be in uniform with numbered jerseys.
- Your team is to be under adult supervision at ALL TIMES: on the floor, in the dressing rooms and in the gymnasium bleachers.
- **Any coach, non-participating player or spectators from a participating team moving on to the playing area in protest will be asked to leave the gym immediately. Refusals to abide will RESULT IN A FORFEIT FOR HIS/HER TEAM.**
- **Only three (3) coaches are allowed on the bench** – this includes scorekeeper if desired. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE IN THE AWKWARD POSITION OF ASKING ON OF YOUR COACHES TO LEAVE THE BENCH AREA.
- “A” and “B” brackets will be determined by which Diocesan section your JV team participates. Please mark “A” or “B” on your roster when you return it. A “b” team can move up and play in the “A” bracket if the team so chooses. An “A” team must play in the “A” bracket.
- According to Diocesan rules teams may play a total of 40 games including tournament games. It is your responsibility to maintain compliance with this rule.

GYMNASIUM RULES:

- **PLAYERS MUST CARRY PLAYING SHOES into gym: Non-compliance means no permission to be on the floor.**
- PLAYERS MUST USE THE LOCKER ROOMS. They are not permitted to dress in the restrooms, halls or bleachers. PLEASE reinforce this with your players.
- NO FOOD, DRINKS or GUM in gym. Refreshments are served and consumed on the stage. No one is permitted to chew gum in the gym including coaches, players or cheerleaders.
- We encourage your team’s cheerleaders to cheer for your team. Cheerleaders will be permitted to cheer from the gym floor, provided they wear soft rubber-heeled and soled shoes.

HOT SHOT CONTEST:

Each game will feature one HOT SHOT contestant from each team. The winner will advance in the same manner as the teams participating in the tournament. We will have both A and B hot shot contests. The matches will be held at half time of each game. A Hot Shot champion will be crowned from the “A” and “B” brackets. See Hot Shot rules page.

FOUL SHOOTING CONTEST: Starts prior to your first game (See Foul Shooting Contest form)

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE CONTACTS:

Joe Kocay– Home 412-761-0266 or Cell: 412-508-0265 E-mail – kocayfamily@verizon.net (preferred)
Vince Curtin - Home 412-766-8558

Directions to Northside Catholic Gymnasium

The Northside Catholic gym is located on Parviss Street. Since Parviss Street is a relatively narrow dead-end street, traffic and pedestrian movement at peak gym use times makes for lots of congestion.

Therefore, we ask you to park in the St. Cyril of Alexandria Church parking lot off Brighton Road, not on Parviss Street-except during mass times. See * below. The only mass time that would likely impact the tournament parking is our Saturday 4:30pm Mass. For your information, St. Cyril of Alexandria church Sunday Masses are at 8:30am and 11:00am.

Directions from downtown Pittsburgh:

- Route 65 North to traffic light at McKee's Rocks Bridge
- Veer right at this light and proceed to traffic light at California Avenue
- Veer left onto California Ave. (At this intersection, you can turn hard right, veer right, turn hard left or veer left)
- At next traffic light turn right onto Benton Avenue
- Proceed straight through traffic light at Brighton Road* and continue on Benton Ave.
- Parviss Street is the first left after crossing Brighton Road

*Note: For parking at the Church lot, do not cross Brighton Road, rather make left onto Brighton Rd. The church is a few hundred yards on the right at 3854 Brighton Rd. Once you park in the church lot, you proceed up the steps (to Parviss St.) and walk left at top of steps. Gym entrance is the last glass door on the left.

Directions from the North:

- 279 South to Perrysville Avenue exit
- At exit traffic light, turn right onto Route 19 South (or also known as Perrysville Ave)
- At the 4th traffic light on 19 South (not counting the exit traffic light), turn hard right onto Bascom Ave. (Note: At this light, you can veer right or turn hard right.)
- Once on Bascom follow Blue Belt or McKee's Rocks signs.
- You will travel on Bascom Ave. for about a mile (landmark Apartment building on right about ¼ mile before you turn left)
- Turn sharp left onto Benton Ave. (landmark: There's an open field & a closed down business at this turn)
- Proceed on Benton Ave. until 100 yard before the traffic light at Brighton Rd*, turn right onto Parviss.

* Note: For parking at church lot, continue on Benton Ave to the traffic light at Brighton Rd. Turn right onto Brighton Rd. The church is a few hundred yards on the right at 3854 Brighton Rd. Once you park in the church lot, you proceed up the steps (to Parviss St.) and walk left at top of steps. Gym entrance is the last glass door on the left.

ALL-STAR GAMES

March 18, 2012

Dear Coach,

In addition to our 44th Annual JV Tournament, Northside Catholic will hold its 29th Annual All-Star tournament games. These All-Star games traditionally wrap-up our tournament on the fourth Sunday of the tournament (a week after the “A” &”B” bracket championship games.) This year’s All-Star games are tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 18, 2012.

A committee will be formed by the Northside Catholic Athletic Association to select participants in these All-Star games. The referees are also consulted, as they are physically closest to the actual players as the games are played. Besides athletic and basketball skills, some of the qualities looked for include: teamwork, hustle, respectfulness and good sportsmanship. This list is not all-inclusive as each committee member may judgmentally select other attributes and may weigh qualities differently. The point is simply this: just because a player is the leading scorer for his team does not guarantee he will represent his team; the overall quality of the player will be considered.

We will notify the coach and player at the time of your last game in our tournament. We will have a Girls, boys “A” bracket, and a boys “B” bracket (Based on total teams entered in tournament). We do our best to select at least one player from each team, but this is not always possible. The coaches from the championship games in each bracket will be asked to coach the players from their brackets.

If you have a player on your team you would like to reward – regardless of his performance in our tournament – please let us know so we may consider that in our selection process.

The Northside Catholic Athletic Association will give to each student athlete who participates in his All-Star game: a commemorative medal; and, a T-shirt that he will wear as his All-Star uniform.

The Northside Catholic Athletic Association community is excited about these All-Star games as they have historically been an exciting part of our tournament as well as being an exciting memory for the actual student athletes who participate.

Please let us know if you have any comments, concerns or questions about the All-Star games or any topic concerning our 44th Annual JV Tournament.

God Bless,

Northside Catholic Athletic Association

Tournament Committee Contacts:

Joe Kocay: Home-412-761-0266, Cell – 412-508-0265, kocayfamily@verizon.net

Vince Curtin: Home-412-766-8558

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2012 FOUL SHOOTING CONTEST

ALL PLAYERS ON YOUR TEAM ARE ELIGIBLE

Dear Coach,

PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS TO ALL OF YOUR PLAYERS

Here's how it works:

- Each player who wants to participate will pay a \$5 entry fee. **Entry fee is due prior to competing.** Please copy this for your players and have any interested players complete the form on the reverse side of this form. Have your players submit this form in an envelope marked Foul Shooting Contest enclosing the applicable \$5 entry fee. Checks made out to "Northside Catholic Athletic Association" is preferred, but cash will be accepted.
- There is no distinction between "A" & "B" teams; all players will compete in the same competition
- **ROUND ONE.** Before your team's first game: Each participant will have **THREE (3)** practice shots. Each participant will then shoot **TWELVE (12)** foul shots; only these **TWELVE (12)** shots will count. At least the top **TEN (10)** contestants will be invited back for **ROUND TWO.** The number of **CONSECUTIVE FOUL SHOTS MADE** will determine all ties. Round One scores do not carry over to Round Two.
- **ROUND TWO, DATE/TIME TBA:** Each returning participant will have **THREE (3)** practice shots and **FIFTEEN (15)** foul shots. The top **FIVE (5)** contestants will compete same day. Round Two scores will not count past Round Two. The number of **CONSECUTIVE FOUL SHOTS MADE** will determine all ties.
- **ROUND THREE, DATE/TIME TBA:** Each returning participant will have **THREE (3)** practice shots and **FIFTEEN (15)** foul shots. **Winner of Round Three will be the winner.** The number of **CONSECUTIVE FOUL SHOTS MADE** will determine all ties.
- The winner and runner-up will receive a trophy or plaque.

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2012 Foul Shooting Contest Registration Form

Please complete this form – with fee in envelope – prior to arriving for your first game.

Team: _____

Player: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

The above player wants to participate in the Foul Shooting Contest in the Northside Catholic JV Tournament. The above information is needed to contact the player if he/she has qualified for Round Two. Round One will occur just before your first game.

Each participant will have THREE (3) practice shots, then TWELVE (12) foul shots; only these TWELVE (12) shots will count. The top ten contestants will be invited back for ROUND TWO. Round one scores do not carry over to Round Two.

In the event of a tie, the number of CONSECUTIVE SHOTS made will be the determining factor.

Enclosed is my \$5.00 entry fee. (\$5 fee for each participating foul shot contestant)

Please complete the above information, enclose form in envelope and turn in to tournament committee member prior to your first game.

If you have questions, please contact one of the Tournament Committee contacts.

Joe Kocay 412-761-0266 (Home), 412-508-0265 (Cell), kocayfamily@verizon.net - E-mail

Vince Curtin 412-766-8558