

# 2026-2027 Whitefish Bay Junior Dukes Basketball Tryouts (Boys)

| Schedule              | Tryout 1 (9/13)<br>Tryout 2 (9/27) |
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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade | 8:30-9:45am                        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 10:00-11:15am                      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 11:30-12:45pm                      |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 3:00-4:15pm                        |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 4:30-5:45pm                        |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 6:00-7:15pm                        |

## Tryout Logistics

- 🏀 Two **closed** tryouts: Sunday September 13th, and Sunday September 27th
  - 🏀 Parents register player(s) and drop them off in the film room. Players will then enter the gym alone – but no parents beyond the film room
  - 🏀 Location: The Warehouse, home of Jr. Dukes Basketball
  - 🏀 6619 North Sydney Place, Glendale
- 🏀 Avoid Saturdays (Junior Dukes Football games, in-season sport)
- 🏀 Evaluator availability better on weekends over weeknights
- 🏀 Unable to accommodate conflicts with all other sports (e.g., Fall baseball, soccer, etc.)
- 🏀 Roster decisions communicated to families by 9/29, with target date of 9/28 (will need acceptance/decline decisions quickly to order uniforms for new players and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)

## Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. My son has a conflict (e.g., fall baseball, soccer, personal travel). Does he need to attend both tryouts? What happens if he misses?**
  - Our strong recommendation is that your son attend both tryouts. With that said, there are no absolutes. For players with demonstrated, differentiated ability, one tryout could be enough. For others, for a variety of reasons, missing a tryout could make a roster placement difference. It is a family decision.
- 2. My son is injured. How will you make a roster placement decision?**
  - If he is new to the program, it is unlikely that we can place him on a roster. If he was in the program previously, we will consider his performance last year based upon feedback from the head coach with any other data points that would be helpful.
- 3. Can my son preference the B team over the A team?**
  - If your son would like to tryout for the B team, he (or you) must let Chris Miskel know directly prior to September 13th. Otherwise, we will assume everyone would accept an A offer if subsequently granted. We would not at that point allow a player to instead play on the B team or try to 'swap.'
- 4. Would Jr. Dukes consider a third team at a given age group?**
  - We will have an A & B team at each grade. For a variety of reasons, including capacity for practice space, we will not add a 3rd team at any grade.
- 5. My son is new to Whitefish Bay, or this is his first year. Does he have a realistic chance?**
  - Yes! Every year, the tryout is the most important data point. We expect players to improve. Each year, we tend to see some roster movement between A and B, as well as B and cut. Prior performance breaks ties/close races, but we expect players to bring it in tryouts.

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