



***Thank you for your interest in our National Championship Series. This document was created to help provide information on both of our National Championships that we offer. Feel free to reach out should we not address any questions in this document – Evolution Staff***

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***February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the MOSH Performance Center in Franklin, WI***

**Registration:** Open to the public! Any team that wants to compete for the 2024 Evo Winter Nationals can.

**Team Fee & Games:** The cost is \$225 per team for 3 games.

**Format:** We will host an 8 Team Single Elimination National Championship Bracket. As soon as you loose, teams will still get two more games but are unable to win the National Championship.

**Make Up of Teams:** School, Feeder & Travel based teams will all compete in one bracket for the Winter National Championship.

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**Grade Based Eligibility:** Players are eligible to play for their team based on what grade they are currently in. For example, if they are currently in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2023-2024 school year, they must play in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade division or higher. They are not eligible to play in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade division or lower. Please note, the head coach for each team is responsible for having the required documents on hand in case of a protest. If they are unable to provide this, they will forfeit their game and be out of the tournament. The required documents are a copy of birth certificate and current report card. Players are only allowed to play on one team during a tournament, no exceptions.

**Seeding:** We will host a live streamed drawing for seeding teams in the National Championship on our Facebook page & Instagram page on 2/17/2024 at 8pm. Teams will be drawn randomly to establish the seeding for the National Championship Bracket.

**Entry to Nationals:** On Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 we will release the schedule, rules and additional information along with the cost for fans to enter the National Championship. We do accept Cash, Venmo & CashApp.

**Streaming:** We are partnered with Be The Beast and all games will be streamed on their platform. Please visit their site to pay for your subscription: <https://www.bethebeast.com/>

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**MVP System:** We have a unique MVP system where the losing coach votes for the MVP on the winning team. As the tournament progresses, we tally the votes and the player with the most votes on the championship team will receive the National MVP Belt. We also post all the MVP pics and the National MVP pics on all of our social media platforms – FB: @EvolutionBball and Twitter: @Evo\_Hoops & IG: \_Evolution\_Basketball\_

**Hotels:** We use our hotel partner, Lucid Travel, since they provide a great platform of discounted hotel rooms for all of our events. These hotels are cheaper than what you will find searching the internet. Please visit our hotel partner's website to take advantage at: <https://www.lucidtravel.us/team/events/7768>

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**July 18th – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at the Champion Center, Appleton, WI**

**Registration:** Open to the public to register, any team can sign up and compete for the National Championship!

**Team Fee & Games:** The cost is \$475 per team for 6 – 9 games.

**Format:** Pool play games are on Thursday 7/18/2024 & Friday 7/19/2024. Then pool play records will determine seeding for the single elimination National Championship bracket that tips off Saturday

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7/20/2024. Sunday (7/21/24) will be made up of only Final 4 & National Championship games.

**Age & Grade Based Eligibility:** Players are eligible to play by receiving verification through our partner – National Sports ID. The Head Coach will create an account, then create their team and add their team to the 2024 Evo Summer Nationals. Upon completion, the Head Coach can share the link with the parents of the players so they can get their child approved to play by paying \$10 and providing three items: Picture of the player, copy of the birth certificate and most recent report card. Player Age Eligibility Date is 7/21/2024, meaning what's the age of a player on this date? This is the age division they are eligible to play in. Exceptions: Each team is allowed 3 total Exceptions which is for players that turn a year older between 3/1/2024 – 7/21/2024. For example, if a player on a 14u team 15 years old between 3/1/2024 - 7/21/2024 they are eligible to play in the 14u division by using an Exception. Additionally, we do offer 1 Super Exception where if the same player turns 15 between 9/1/2023 – 2/28/2024 BUT MUST still be in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, if that is the case, they would be eligible to play on the 14u team as a Super Exception. A Super Exception counts as one of the three exceptions a team is allowed.

**Entry to Nationals:** On Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 we will release the schedule, rules and additional information along with the cost for fans to enter the National Championship. We do accept Cash, Venmo & CashApp.

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**Hotels:** This is a Stay & Play event. This means teams must stay at one of the hotels on our list. Our travel partner is not only hired to provide discounted hotel rooms but also to monitor teams are in fact using our platform to book hotel rooms. If you have any questions, please reach out. Please visit our hotel partner's website at: <https://www.lucidtravel.us/team/events/7768>

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