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FAQ'S

What is the deadline for registering for your Winter tournaments?

- The last Sunday before the tournament tips off
- We usually end up closing registration earlier than the deadline, since our events typically sell out

What are your refund policies for team entry fees?

- We refund all team entry fees up to 30 days before the event in question
- If you cancel within 30 days before a tournament tips off then there are no refunds

When do you release the schedule for your Winter tournaments?

- Worst case the Monday before a tournament tips off
- We will email the person who registered with the team upon release of the schedule
- Download our Evo Tourneys mobile app to access the schedule and follow the progress of our tournaments in real time

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When do your tournaments start & end each day?

- All Winter Tournaments are on Saturdays from 8am – 10pm
- We do reserve the right to start games at 730am, if needed
- We do reserve the right to start games after 9pm but not after 10pm, if needed

What types of teams do your Winter tournaments host?

Each tournament hosts different teams in our Winter Series

- School Teams – Based off where they currently attend school
- Feeder Teams – Based off where they will attend high school
- Travel Teams – Based off their skill level

How does your Evo MVP System work?

- Our MVP system rewards good team play & removes any bias
- The losing coach votes for the MVP on the winning team
- We track the MVPs during the tournament
- The Tournament MVP is the player on the championship team with the most MVP votes and wins an MVP trophy
- All MVP pictures are put up on all our social media platforms

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What are admissions prices?

For our 2025 Winter Tournaments

- \$12 Adults (18 & Older)
- \$6 Children (5 to 17 years old)
- Free Children (Up to 4 years old)

What sources of payment do you accept for admissions?

- All tickets must be purchased online
 - Will be provided by 9/1/2026

Does anyone else get in free?

- Yes, two coaches per team and one scorekeeper
- All three people will check in when they arrive
 - At check in, they will receive a free wristband for the event

What are your social media platforms?

- **Instagram:** _Evolution_basketball_
- **Facebook:** EvolutionBball
- **Twitter:** @Evo_Hoops
- **YouTube:** Evolution Basketball
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCedOSv9lbWlePi92-BYo0rQ>

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What facilities will you be using for your Winter tournaments?

Canlan Sports, Lake Barrington, IL

- <https://www.canlansports.com/locations/us/il/lake-barrington/>

College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL

- <https://www.clcillinois.edu/>

Homestead High School, Mequon, WI

- <https://www.mtsd.k12.wi.us/homestead/>

JAG Fieldhouse – Wisconsin Dells, WI

- <https://justagame.com/fieldhouse>

JAG Fieldhouse 2 – Reedsburg, WI

- <https://justagame.com/fieldhouse/locations/reedsburg>

MegaPlex – Homer Glen, IL

- <https://www.mpxcenter.com/>

OAW Sports Complex, New Berlin, WI

- <https://www.oawindoor.com/>

Rec Plex – Pleasant Prairie, WI

- <https://www.recplexonline.com/>

Tremper High School, Kenosha, WI

- <https://www.kusd.edu/tremper/>

UW Health Sports Factory, Rockford, IL

- <https://uwhealthsportsfactory.com/>

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Saturday, February 14th, 2026

Just A Game Fieldhouse, Wisconsin Dells, WI

Just A Game Fieldhouse 2, Reedsburg, WI

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How do you enter our Evo Winter Nationals, what is the cost & how many games?

- This is an open registration for those who wish to play
- The cost is \$235 per team, for 3 games in one day
- Fan admission costs are the same as previously listed

What is the format of your Winter Nationals?

- Division 1 for Travel Teams & Strong Feeder Teams
- Division 2 for developing Feeder & Travel Teams
- With the permission of the head coach, we could move up younger level D1 teams to older level D2 divisions

What kind of teams are at Nationals?

- School, Feeder & Travel based teams will all compete in the Evo Winter National Championship
- We will do our best to separate stronger teams from weaker teams to establish competitive games for all

When will you release the Winter Nationals Schedule?

- Will be released no later than Monday, 2/9/2026

What kind of awards are given at Nationals?

- National Champions win National Championship Rings
- National MVP's win a National MVP Belt

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TOURNAMENT RULES

WARMUPS: 2-Minute warmups or more, official's discretion

FORFEIT: We will allow 10-minute grace period and then you will forfeit the game

GAME TIME: (2) 16-Minute halves with running clock except during **STOP CLOCK SCENARIOS**

- 1st Half: All games and all divisions regardless of lead, **CLOCK STOPS LAST 10 SECONDS**
- 2nd Half: 3rd & 4th Grades that have a 6-point lead or less, **CLOCK STOPS LAST 5 MINUTES**
- 2nd Half: 5th – 8th Grades that have a 10-point lead or less, **CLOCK STOPS LAST 5 MINUTES**

HALF-TIME: Up to 2-minute half times unless games are behind, official's discretion

TIMEOUTS: (3) 60 second timeouts per game, can carry over to overtime

- **BALL CAN BE MOVED TO HALFCOURT IF OFFENSE CALLS THE TIMEOUT**

OVERTIME: 2-Minutes, clock stops every whistle, each team 1 new timeout + any that carry over

PERSONAL FOULS: **6 Personal Fouls Per Game**, Technical fouls count as a personal foul

TECHNICAL FOULS: Automatic 2 points & the ball, 2 technicals results in an ejection from game

BONUS: Single Bonus – 7 team fouls per half, Double Bonus – 10 team fouls per half or more

TIEBREAKER: 1st Head-to-Head, 2nd Point Differential–**NO CAP**, 3rd Points Scored & 4th Points Allowed

SCOREKEEPERS: Each team must provide a scoreboard operator or a scorekeeper for each game

HOME TEAM: Team listed 2nd is the home team and wears white/light uniform

28.5 BASKETBALL: 3rd Grade – 5th Grade Boys Divisions & all Girls Divisions

29.5 BASKETBALL: 6th Grade – 8th Grade Boys Divisions

DEFENSE: **ANYTHING UNLESS LEAD IS 20 + POINTS, THEN HALF COURT NON-TRAPPING DEFENSE**

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PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

What are the player eligibility requirements?

- Eligibility is strictly grade based
 - For example, a player is currently in 7th grade
 - They can play in the 7th and/or 8th grade divisions
 - They can't play in the 6th grade divisions or lower
- Head Coach must be able to prove grade & name of player
 - Grade - Must have reports cards on hand in case of protest
 - Can be the current report card or previous school year
 - Name - Must be able to prove the name of this player
 - School ID, Birth Certificate or Passport, etc

Proof of player's eligibility

- Team Responsibility
 - Proof of player eligibility is the responsibility of the team manager or coach.
 - Evolution Basketball Inc will not check eligibility prior to events.
 - However, a coach must be able to provide documents of grade and age eligibility in the event of a challenge by another team or if requested by Evolution Basketball Inc prior to or any time during an event.

Proof of player's eligibility continued..

- Documentation Required for Eligibility
 - Each team is required to have grade documentation available for each player at any time during our events
 - Failure to have required documentation will result in player(s) ineligibility, game forfeiture, and/or team removal from event

- Acceptable Forms of Documentation
 - Proof of grade include
 - Current report card
 - Previous school year's report card
 - Digital documentation may be acceptable but subject to review by Evolution Basketball staff

PROTEST PROCEDURE

Who can protest?

- Protests can be submitted only by the head coach of a team participating in the same division as the team with the player(s) whose eligibility is being challenged.
- For a team to submit a Protest, the team must demonstrate to the Site Director that the protesting team has eligibility documentation for its players available for review by the Site Director.
- A team is NOT allowed to protest the eligibility of a player from another team without having the eligibility documentation for its own players.

What can be protested?

- Player(s) is not grade eligible to participate

When can a protest be submitted?

- Pre-Game Protest
 - Earliest time to submit a protest is at the start of warmups
- Post-Game Protest
 - Must be submitted within 30 minutes after the game ends
- Protest Limited
 - Can't protest if submission doesn't fall within Pre-Post time periods

How to file your protest?

- Must be emailed between the start of warmups to 30 minutes after the conclusion of the game to Evolution Tournament Director along with a \$50 cash Protest Fee

Protest failed?

- The \$50 Cash Protest Fee is forfeited
- All forfeited Protest Fees will be applied to charitable activities of Evolution Basketball's choosing

Protest upheld?

- \$50 Cash Protest Fee to be refunded to protesting team
- Ineligible player(s) can no longer play in that event
- The team can still play without the ineligible player(s)
- Successful Post-Game Protest
 - That game will be forfeited
 - Prior games won't be forfeited since the protest window for those prior games would have lapsed

Player reinstatement?

- If an ineligible player that didn't have documents does provide required documents after the completed protest
 - They can participate for rest of the event
 - Any decisions made from protest remain since required docs weren't available at time of protest