



York South Silver Knights Basketball Club

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"Participation With Passion"

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Hello Silver Knights Parents and Players,

The York South Silver Knights Basketball Club hope you and your family have been having a safe and enjoyable summer. With the gradual reopening of athletic activities and the loosening of restrictions, we here at the club are preparing for a return to our house league and Rep programming in the Fall of 2021.

During this time of the summer, we are normally beginning to share information about our September Rep team tryouts and starting to open registration for our October House League programs. While we are not yet able to give exact details on tryout dates and start dates, we did want to provide some information on what the club will be doing going forward.

On the House League Side

The Silver Knights Basketball Club is planning to operate all of its normal Tiny Knight, Min-Knight and House League programs. **Online Pre-Registration for all of these programs will open on Friday August 20, 2021.** Payment will not be required at the time of pre-registration. Sequential lists based on a first-come-first-serve basis will be generated for each program using this pre-registration process. Once details such as start date, safety protocols, prices, and the number of participants allowed are confirmed, the club will contact those pre-registered players **ONLY**, in order to confirm final registration.

For example, we may have a house league program that normally has a player limit of 60 players. A few weeks after pre-registration, you are told that you are #35 on the sequential list. Under normal circumstances, this would ensure a spot in the program. However, safety protocols may only allow for 25 individuals in the gym at any one time. This would significantly lower the player limit per program. In this case being #35 on the list may not ensure a spot in the program. We are using this pre-registration process in order to quickly confirm participants as soon as we know how many people can be allowed in a program. Ultimately, if a parent wishes to improve the chances that their child will have a spot in our programs, they should pre-register as soon as possible.

Pre-registration links will be available on our Silver Knights home page starting Friday August 20, 2021: <https://silverknightsbasketball.com>

Please note, some past club members chose to accept a partial credit for the Winter/Spring programs that ended early in March of 2020. Those **past members must still use the pre-registration process** but will be given priority in sequencing.

Considering the uncertainty of the situation, we feel this is the best way to launch programming as quickly as possible, once the operating conditions for the programs have been established. After you pre-register for a program you will be given an indication as to what spot/number you occupy in the sequential order, in an e-mail you can expect around the middle of September. Once you choose to confirm your registration you will be asked to make payment at that time.

We recognize that the situation continues to change and evolve. We will continue to update our website and connect with our past members via email whenever new information becomes available.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns regarding house league programs, please feel free to contact:

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Director of House Leagues

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On the Rep/Elite Level Side

Silver Knights Basketball Club is planning to hold tryouts on the 2nd and 3rd weekends of September. Assuming there is gym availability for those weekends, tryouts will be held for both boys and girls at various age levels. Further information regarding the dates, times, locations, and costs of the tryouts will be shared shortly. Once again, we still require some clarity prior to publishing those tryout details.

In the meantime, if you are interested in coaching at the Rep/Elite level or simply have some questions regarding the Rep program for your son or daughter, please contact:

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At this time, the Silver Knights Basketball Club is awaiting further details from the Ontario Government, York Region Public Health (YRPH), the Ontario Basketball Association (OBA), the York Region Association of Basketball Officials (YRABO), and both the Catholic and Public York Region School Boards (YCDSB and YRDSB). Once we receive information from all these parties, we can determine the level of participation in each program and bring clarity to programming, pricing and safety protocols.

The directors of the Silver Knights Basketball Club are excited about returning to playing again and hope to see some familiar faces again very soon.

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