



M14 Summer League F.A.Q.

***Please Read the Below Information Entirely.** It is written by M14 Founder, Matt Miller, and it will answer most of your questions. Any additional questions will be answered at the evaluation or you can contact us via email or phone.*

What is the Summer League

We all remember the summer days of playing 5on5 basketball at our local parks; and sadly, this generation doesn't get to experience this due to the parks being empty. For the past 10 years M14 has successfully run an internal Summer League that featured some of the area's best middle school players to help fill that void.

The summer league creates a different environment than travel or feeder basketball. Since the focus isn't on team records, we have found this allows players to use skills, try different moves and learn to play with different players without worrying about a trophy or the scrutiny from mom, dad and coaches – which is exactly what we want!

Does my player need to be evaluated to participate in the Summer League?

Yes! Any player that is not on our current Spring ATP or our Academy Teams does need to be evaluated. All evaluation dates and times are listed on the website. At the evaluation players will undergo a similar evaluation as our teams i.e. individual skill portion with 3on3 and a 5on5 portion. We also have a parent meeting at the beginning of the evaluation to go over further details about the league and answer any questions. The evaluation is to ensure quality!

Is there a chance my player could be cut?

While our goal is to accept all players, unfortunately yes, there is a chance players will not be invited. While this is considered an in-house league, we still need to make sure we have quality within it. This is why we have an evaluation to make sure we have a good understanding of each player's talent level.

Is there a make-up evaluation?

If you cannot make the formal evaluation, we do offer makeup evaluations. You will need to email us at info@M14hoops.com to request a private evaluation. As long as we have space at your players grade level, we will set up the evaluation.

When will we find out if my player made it?

The following day after the evaluation, we will email out the results to all players. At that time, parents will have 3 days to get their player registered for the league. If players are not registered within the 3-day registration window, we will revoke the spot and evaluate players who are on our waiting list.

What is the structure of the summer league:

The summer league starts the 2nd week of June and runs 4 consecutive weeks. Players will play 2 games a night on the same two days (and times) during the week. The schedule posted on the website is correct. This is not travel basketball so the game times will remain consistent each night.

There are no practices included with the Summer League – it is only games!

Are the grade levels combined?

Yes! The divisions are as follows:

Rising 4th/5th Boys

Rising 6th/7th Boys

Rising 8th/9th Boys

Rising 4th/5th Girls

Rising 6th/7th Girls

Rising 8th/9th Girls

What is the cost of the league?

\$350 + \$25 for the reversible jersey.

Do I have to purchase a jersey if I have participated in a different M14Hoops program before?

Yes! All players must have an official Summer League Jersey. If you have participated in the Summer League before and the jersey still fits, you do not need to purchase a new one. Jerseys generally arrive by the end of the 2nd week of the League. Until then, player should wear athletic attire and we have “pennys” for them to wear.

Will they play other feeder or travel teams?

No. The Summer League is an in-house league where teams are formed from the participants within it and games are played against each other.

How are teams selected each night?

Great question! We form teams within each grade level division and players play with that team for that evening. The next day we will form new teams within the grade level divisions. This format will keep the league competitive, focused on player development and fun, NOT individual team records or trophies.

The goal is to make teams even from a talent standpoint, not to put all the best players on one team.

Due to the number of players interested, We DO NOT take requests for players to be on teams with their friends. The summer league is a great time for players to meet new friends just like we did back in the day at the playground!!!

How many players on a team?

10

Who will coach my player?

The same coaches who coach our travel/AAU teams and former M14 players who now play at the collegiate level! There are no programs at M14Hoops where we do not give each player the best staff to learn from. This is not a 'parent-coached' league. It does not matter what level of talent your player is; if they are in an M14Hoops program, they will receive the best coaching we have to offer!

What is the game structure?

Each night players will play 2 games within the 1hour and 45-minute timeslot. This means your player could play back to back games and be done for the evening or they could play then their team sits out while other teams play and then play their final game. Either way, all games will be done within the 1hr and 45min time slot!! After players play their 2nd game, they are allowed to leave.

What are the game rules?

4th/5th Boys & 4/5 Girls – M14 staff refs!

6th- 9th Boys & Girls – 2 refs

2 – 16-minute running clock

Equal playing time (unless it is a fast break layup we will hit the horn in the middle of the game to sub)

All shooting fouls will be 1 free throw for 2 or 3 points depending on where the player was fouled.

No player can foul out

Last minute of the game:

-Clock stops

- All fouls constitute to a 1on1 bonus free throw situation

If my player misses a night, is that alright?

With it being the summer time we do understand players will miss from time to time. You do not have to email us.

We do ask that all players are on time if they are attending. This helps us divide our teams quickly and avoids us having to redivide teams after we have started!

Is there time off for the holidays?

No! The 4th of July is on a Friday this year so the summer league will not have any days off in any grade level divisions.

Parent Rules:

No fee to get in!

Sit in the bleacher!

No coaching from the bleachers!

Film the game! Post it! And tag us!

Cheer for your player and their team!

ENJOY WATCHING YOUR PLAYER PLAY BASKETBALL WITHOUT CRITIQUE!!!