



The Pioneer Elite basketball program will provide future Pioneers an opportunity to learn fundamentals and strategies, challenge themselves in competitive basketball practices and games, while playing with future high school teammates.

In order to participate, those trying out must live in the Kirkwood High School attendance area and plan on attending KHS. If chosen for the team, at least one parent or guardian must attend a mandatory parent meeting, which will be announced following try-outs.

Nick Strubhar will be coaching the 8th grade Pioneer Elite Squad this season. Strubhar coached in the Kirkwood Basketball program in the ninth grade two seasons and has worked with Coach Gunn coaching youth basketball for nine seasons.

Armeake Estes and **Ben Woolf**, assistant basketball coaches at Kirkwood High School will be coaching the 7th grade Pioneer Elite Squad.

Bill Gunn, head varsity basketball coach at Kirkwood High School will be coaching the 6th grade Pioneer Elite Squad along with Andrew Gift. Gunn is in his 19th season coaching high school basketball.

We are still in the process of gaining commitments from our 4th and 5th grade coaches for the 2010-2011 school year. Both teams will share a gym and practice with Coach Gunn and the 6th grade Elite team.

Try Outs: October 10, 2010 Kirkwood High School

Grades 4,5,6 1:00 - 3:00

Grades 7,8 3:00 - 5:00

Commitment: Expect your sons to spend two days a week with the Elite, three days on some limited occasions. We will practice two days per week from late October until the first games in late November. Once games begin we will practice one day per week.

Practice & Games: Teams will practice at Kirkwood High School. Players and staff from Kirkwood High School will assist with the Pioneer Elite Program. The practice schedule is located on the website for the entire season.

Elite teams will participate in the CNR league, which will play most games at Kirkwood High School this season. We will play approximately 10 league games and will compete in three tournaments giving us a total of 20 practices and 25 games.

Cost: Cost will include league fees, tournament fees, practice fees, uniform, and other Pioneer Elite gear. The fee for the winter season (Oct-March) will again be 250.00 per player.

Updates/Information: Practices, games, results, and Pioneer Elite information will be updated on the elite website currently hosted at www.kirkwoodbasketball.com.

Questions: If you have further questions please contact us via email at pioneerelitebasketball@yahoo.com or you may call. Nick Strubhar 314-368-8882



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