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Leaders



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St. Louise de Marillac Boys Basketball Program

Little Dribblers League:

Our Little Dribblers program is designed for students in grades 1-3, to develop fundamental basketball skills while learning teamwork, strategy, and sportsmanship. Skills taught include passing, shooting, dribbling, and basic rules of the game.

Players will develop their basketball skills, develop a joy for the sport, and become better people. Students will participate in games and drills meant to be fun and to make them better dribblers, shooters, passers, and defenders, as well as more coordinated and more knowledgeable about basketball. Values such as teamwork, hard work, and respect for others will be stressed at sessions.

Developmental League:

The St. Louise Developmental boys' basketball program, while not actually sponsored by the Diocese, is under its auspices. St. Louise sponsors several Developmental boys' teams. Typically there are 2 teams at each level due to the large number of boys participating in the basketball program. The boys' Rookie League team is comprised of only 4th graders. Both 5th & 6th grade boys are able to play on the Prep League team. There is also a Varsity Developmental League (VDL) team on which both 7th & 8th graders may play. Over the years a list of grade specific goals and guidelines has been established that each developmental team member should try to master. The mastery of these fundamental basketball skills will hopefully enable players to succeed when they play for the school's competitive teams. There is no playoff system for the developmental league. However each developmental team is permitted to participate in postseason tournaments.

Competitive League:

The two competitive boys' basketball teams are the JV & Varsity teams. The St. Louise Athletic Board sponsors both the boys' JV & Varsity basketball programs, which are sanctioned by the Diocese. The Diocese puts together the various sections, schedules referees, and runs the playoff system. In fact, the Diocesan playoff system for Varsity basketball includes a state basketball championship playoff tournament. Over the years, the JV teams have won 10 section titles and 3 Diocesan championships. The Varsity team has won a variety of championships as well. In recent years, the St. Louise boys' Varsity teams have won 9 section titles, 3 Diocesan titles, and played in the state championship tournament three times finishing as runner-up once and as the 2004 state champion.