Dear 4th/5th Grade Parents,

The Great Valley Basketball League (GVBL) sponsors tournament teams for boys and girls starting in 4th grade. The GVBL Tournament Team Program was established to provide a more competitive and stronger level of basketball than our rec program. The commitment to practice is greater and the development of the players is accelerated. The primary objective for the tournament team will be to train and develop the players on a higher level, providing an opportunity for them to excel in a more competitive, yet fun environment.

Click 4th and 5th grade tryout schedule for the 2023 - 2024 season

In order to be eligible for the GVBL tournament team program players must...

- 1) live in or attend the Great Valley School District
- 2) practice and play in the GVBL recreational league.

Players are not allowed to 'play up' a grade level.

Tournament team players are expected to play outside of the traditional basketball season (November - March). Most teams will practice and participate in fall and spring leagues and/or tournaments, along with a winter league. Participation requires a strong commitment from players and parents. Along with this, our tournament team program allows kids to continue playing other sports. We do not ask kids to pick basketball as their only sport.

We have successfully run 20+ years of tournament teams that have developed players, broadened friendships and created a lot of great memories. If you and your child are interested in learning more about travel teams, please visit the tournament section of the GVCO website and review our <u>Policies and Philosophies</u>. We ask that you take the time to research and learn more about our tournament teams.

If you have any questions in advance of these tryouts, please feel free to contact Keith Walsh (execdirector@gvco.org).

Thank you for your interest. GVBL