

# **Living Word Jr Wolves Basketball Program**

2025-2026 Season

## **Register for Tryouts**

Tryout registration is now open for the upcoming season. Tryouts will be held on Sunday, August 24, 2025 for the upcoming 2025-2026 season. CLICK HERE to register for tryouts.

# **Tryouts**

Players are required to go through a tryout to determine if they make a team. Tryouts are held in the Gym at Living Word Lutheran High School. They will be evaluated on their basketball skill levels, game play, knowledge of the game, work ethic, and coachability. <u>We cannot guarantee a spot for all players that tryout.</u>

# Sunday, August 24, 2025 Schedule (held at LWLHS gymnasium):

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM -- 2nd & 3rd BOYS

12:45 - 1:45 PM -- 4th & 5th BOYS

2:00 - 3:00 PM -- 6th, 7th & 8th BOYS:

3:15 - 4:15 PM -- 2nd, 3rd & 4th GIRLS

4:30 - 5:30 PM -- 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th GIRLS

**Make-up date:** If you cannot attend on Sunday, please attend our make-up date on Tuesday, August 26 from 7:00-8:00 PM.

### **Team Selection**

Players will be placed on teams based on their tryout and we will announce teams (and coaching staffs) within two weeks following tryouts.

## Cost

The total cost includes: jersey, facility rentals, league/tournament fees

- Between \$300-\$400\* – includes league/tournament fees, jersey, warm-up shirt, etc \*Subject to change to new & returning players

### **Teams**

For both boys & Girls teams, our goal is to provide one team per grade level. Pending numbers, we may have two separate teams per grade level or we may combine grade levels (ex: 2nd/3rd grade, 5th/6th grade, etc).

## **Jerseys**

Each player is required to purchase a team jersey that includes reversible tops & shorts. A new style jersey will be ordered this year so everyone will be receiving a new jersey.



#### Gear

No gear is required for purchase, but we do provide an online team store before the season.

## **Length of the Season**

Depending on gym availability, practices will begin in October. Tournaments/Leagues usually begin in November and the season runs until March.

### League/Games

For boys:

- There are two leagues we look into for the boys teams (3rd-8th grade):
  - WYBL league, which has 2 games on alternating Sunday's and Saturday's from November-March. Locations are throughout the greater Milwaukee area
  - Center Court League (new for this season)
  - The league selection will be based on numbers, availability for coaches/players, and schedules. We will announce which league once teams are decided.
- 2nd grade will play in 2nd grade tournaments (usually vs northern WI teams) and local games at Living Word
- Depending upon grade school schedules, we may try to enter 1-3 tournaments and/or schedule games vs local club teams.

## For girls:

- Girls will likely enter the <u>Overtime Basketball League</u> in Mequon. Teams play 2 games on Saturday or Sunday starting early November through mid December. We will fill the rest of the schedule with area games/tournaments in January and/or February (usually 2-3 tournaments)

## **Practices**

Practice starts in October for 2x per week, and shifts to 1x per week November-March. Practice time (week nights & weekends) and location will vary pending gym availability. Gyms include Living Word, First Immanuel, Calvary (West Bend), St John's West Bend, Grace Lutheran, and St Frances Cabrini. If families have other connections to local schools and gyms, please let us know!

## Coaches

If you are interested in coaching, please contact Billy Bynum at <a href="mailto:bbynum@lwlhs.com">bbynum@lwlhs.com</a>. We are always looking for qualified coaches to help our program. We cannot guarantee a coaching position in the program.

# **Contact Information**

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