

# OHIO LAKERS TRAVEL BASKETBALL

- For over 10 years, the Ohio Laker has been giving kids the opportunity to play more basketball in the spring and build friendships with players outside of their respective schools. Some of the top players in our area have used AAU/Travel Team basketball to further develop their basketball skills.
- The teams generally practice once a week with tournaments on the weekends. The tournaments run from the end of March through the end of May. Most teams play 20-30 games during the spring season. We are done before your high school team starts summer leagues and summer camps.
- We have had many kids that play high school spring sports also play AAU/Travel Team basketball. Most of our practices are 6 PM or later. Practices are usually on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Last year, a majority of the practices were at Lisbon and South Range High School.
- The cost is generally \$300-\$350 depending on the number of tournaments a team enters. The cost includes tournament entry fees, gym time, jerseys, and shorts.
- Please encourage all boys and girls to inform their friends. Ohio boys and girls grades 7-11 are limited to two per school/per team, the more boys and girls that get involved from different schools, the more teams that can be formed! West Virginia and Pennsylvania boys and girls are not limited to the two per school/per team rule. We usually have more than one team in each grade finding a team for you is not a problem. All 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls are not limited to 2 per team/per school.
- The more participation from the area will ensure more opportunity for the youth basketball players to play more basketball. We will be looking for volunteers to coach. The coach of each team gets to choose one player to play for free.
- KEEP CHECKING [HTTP://WWW.OHIOLAKERS.COM](http://www.ohiolakers.com) FOR MORE INFORMATION. We will be keeping open gym, practice schedules, tournament schedules, and directions on the website. The first open gyms are scheduled for the end of February for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders and first weekend in March for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders check the website for exact times.
- For more information email organization director Chris Huckshold: coachhuck@ohiolakers.com. You can also call 330-853-2312 for more information.