

Eau Claire Memorial Basketball Program Guidelines

Guidelines for Players

Daily Practice Guidelines

Be on time. Check your schedule daily. Most varsity/jv practices are after school. Sophomore and freshmen practices will be any time between 3:00 and 8:30 at Memorial, South, or Putnam Heights

- If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, school board policy indicates that no athletic practices can be held.

Program Expectations

- You are a representative of Memorial High School and our basketball program. Your behavior, attire, and appearance are a reflection on us all.
- Respect your opponents and teammates. Teasing, practical jokes, and hazing of any kind will not be accepted.
- Your interaction with officials is also representative of the school and program. Talking back, gesturing, demonstrative behavior, or general disrespect which may or may not result in an unsportsmanlike technical foul will not be acceptable and may result in a loss of playing time.
- As basketball players at Memorial, the WIAA prohibits play in any other basketball league/team **during the season**. (YMCA, church league, AAU)
- Social media can be a positive tool to use when communicating with others. Players should refrain from using social media to make comments which may compromise our teams' competitiveness nor should they share negative remarks towards teammates/opponents/coaches. (No bulletin board material)

Game Day Guidelines

- JV and sophomore players should be at the gym, dressed, and ready to play by 5PM for home games. Varsity players should be at the gym by 5:45.
- Varsity players will sit together during the JV game and limit their interaction with other students. JV players will sit together and rotate videotaping responsibilities during the varsity game.
- All players will ride home on the bus with the team.
- Cell phones or sending text messages in the locker room is not permitted at anytime per WIAA rule.

Practice Attendance

-Basketball is a team sport. A team cannot reach its full potential without all its members consistently attending. Players are expected to be at every practice. Missing practice for any reason other than illness or family emergency (notify your coach in these circumstances) may be grounds for suspension or even dismissal from the team.

Lettering in Boys Basketball

Athletes shall earn a letter in boy's basketball if they meet the following criteria:

- Display a positive attitude as an individual and as a team member.
- Participate in a varsity basketball game.
- Finish the season.
- At the discretion of the coaches, a letter may be awarded if an individual has displayed outstanding effort and other team intangibles.
- All regular season varsity team members will letter if the team qualifies for the state tournament.
- Players who receive ATOD code violations during the basketball season will not letter and will not be nominated for all-conference.

Guidelines for Parents

-If, at any time, you have a question as to the treatment of your son during the season, please contact Coach Van Grunsven at school (715-852-4861). We will set up a time to meet with you, your son, and your son's coach. We will not meet to discuss the make up of the team, playing time, strategy, or philosophy as these decisions are made by the coaching staff per athletic department policy.

-The basketball games can be exciting and emotional but we need to keep in mind that we all represent Eau Claire Memorial. Varsity officials will miss calls and lower level officials will miss a lot of calls. Berating officials usually won't help us out and may even work against us. Please try to keep your cheering positive and directed towards our team.