

2010 Club Teams

Dear Players/Parents:

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Introduction letter to 2010 season

Are you ready for the 2010 Club basketball season to begin? Well, it's right around the corner! The Hoop Zone/TX Gym Rats Basketball Club is seeking talented players from the Austin area and would like to invite you to attend one of our **upcoming tryouts**. If you are serious about developing your GAME by practicing hard and playing with and against good competition then this program is for you. We are looking forward to a great season of competitive, developmental basketball and want you to become part of the Hoop Zone/TX Gym Rat Team. **Please see Tryout Schedule at the bottom of this letter for your specific age group tryout. Serious Boys and Girls are welcome.**

Club Team Program Highlights:

Tryouts

See tryout schedule at bottom of this letter.

Tryout Q & A:

What is the purpose of tryouts? To evaluate and select players to play on one of our 3 club teams. Selection process can take up to 12 days for final decision.

Do I Check-in prior to tryouts?

Please check-in 15-30min prior to your tryout time.

What do I need to bring?

Water, court shoes, registration form and \$20 fee (if not pre-registered).

Where are tryouts?

All tryouts will be held at HOOP ZONE – 826 Rutland Dr. Austin, TX 78758

Where do I register for tryouts?

To register for tryouts, register on-line at www.quickscores.com/apsa. There will be a try-out fee that can be paid online (\$12.50) or the day of the tryout (\$20)]. This tryout fee will cover court costs and the training session your player will experience from our highly qualified coaches. Pre-registration is preferred but you may register the day of tryouts. The cost at the door is \$20. Either way you must register through Quickscores so we have your correct information in our registration system.

Teams & Tournaments

We will offer 3 types of teams this season. Developmental teams, regional teams, and national teams. Players will be placed on teams according to age and like ability/skill level.

Local Teams (10-12 players) will compete in eight tournaments in the Austin & San Antonio areas. Teams will practice once per week for 1.5 hours. The season starts in March and ends in July. The fee is \$650.

Regional teams (10-11 players) will compete in eight tournaments in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas and Houston areas. Teams will practice once per week for 1.5 hours. The season starts in March and ends in July. The fee is \$850.

National teams (10-11 players) will compete in a minimum of eight tournaments in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, and one-two national event sites. Teams will practice a minimum of once per week for 1.5 hours. The season starts in March and ends in July. The fee is \$850

*****The first tournament is scheduled for March 20-21st.**

Coaches

We provide highly qualified coaches with many years of playing and coaching experience. All of our coaches have either played or coached college basketball or are currently coaching middle school, high school, or college basketball. Our coaches will be paid and held to a high standard in regards to promptness, respect toward players, basketball knowledge and implementation, and passion to develop basketball players. We look to hire quality basketball coaches who are responsible and caring individuals.

Practices

Practices will be held at Hoop Zone in North/Central Austin. All teams will practice at least once per week for 1.5hrs starting in early March. Any other practices will be arranged by the team coach.

Uniforms and apparel

All players will receive a high quality uniform that will arrive before the first tournament.

Fees

If you are selected for a team, a \$250 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit (applicable to total fees) is due at the team meeting following tryouts. *Team fees for the season will be \$650.00 per player (\$850 for regional & national teams).* Paying the total club fees in advance is preferred but the other option is to pay the balance of fees in equal monthly installments beginning March 8th. Fees for all teams cover uniforms, practice reversible, team and individual insurance, tournament entry fees, gym rental fees, team equipment, and coaching salaries. **Fees do NOT include hotel and travel expenses.**

HZ/TGR Tryout Dates:

Date	Day	Time	Location	Ages
January 23 rd	Saturday	4:00pm	Hoop Zone	4-7th graders
January 23 rd	Saturday	5:15pm	Hoop Zone	8-12th graders
February 6 th	Saturday	4:00pm	Hoop Zone	4-7th graders
February 6 th	Saturday	5:15pm	Hoop Zone	8-12th graders
February 27 th	Saturday	2:00pm	Hoop Zone	4-7th graders
February 27 th	Saturday	3:15pm	Hoop Zone	9-12th graders

Locations: Hoop Zone ~ 826 Rutland Dr. ~ Austin, TX 78758

We look forward to developing your GAME,

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Thank you!