

8th Grade Basketball 2018 Information and Contract

Welcome athletes and parents to the 2018 season of GSMS Cougar Basketball. The season begins Monday, January 8th. See the attached practice and game schedule for details.

Players must turn in:

- Up to date physical
- Proof of health insurance
- Emergency contact card
- \$50 athletic fee
- Player Contract

- Athletes must have 9 practices before they are eligible to play in a league game.
- Be on time to practices and games. Three late arrivals will result in one unexcused absence. Three unexcused absences will result in dismissal from the team.
- Excused absences occur when an athlete misses practice due to illness or a school activity. The head coach must be notified prior to 3:00 the day of the absence for it to be excused. Prolonged illness or injury requires a note from a doctor. Shopping, haircuts, birthdays, vacations, etc. WILL count as an unexcused absence.
- Per league rules, if you miss practice the day before a game, or if you are absent from school the day of a game, you will not be eligible to play in that game.
- All athletes must remain on campus until after practice or a game.
- Games: All athletes are expected to dress and act appropriately on trips. Players involved in mischief on the bus, at GSMS, or at another school will not be allowed to play in the next game or travel to the next away game.
- Eligibility: Basketball is an extracurricular sport and participants must stay in good standing in all classes during the season. Any athlete that is not completing assignments in class or is a discipline problem in class may be ineligible to participate.
- School Behavior: All athletes are expected to follow the classroom rules of each teacher as well as the school rules and Habits of a Scholar. Any action resulting in a school suspension will also result in dismissal from the team.
- Uniforms: Please help properly care for the uniforms. Wash them in cold water only with light amounts of detergent. Do not dry in the dryer – air dry only! Keep the uniforms at home and bring them to school only on game days. Uniforms may not be worn for any occasion other than games. Replacement cost for lost or damaged uniforms is \$100.00.
- Practice attire is athletic/basketball shoes, athletic shorts, and a white t-shirt.
- The coaching staff will make all decisions affecting the team as a whole.
- We practice as a team in a positive manner to achieve positive ends. We support one another and strive to meet our individual and team goals.
- Please remember that food/drink will never be allowed in the gym or locker rooms.
- District policy prohibits students bringing cell phones into locker rooms. Leave them at home or in a hall locker.
- 8th Grade Head Coach: Eric Caro (970) 989-0213 ericcaro@rfschools.com

Player Signature x _____

Parent Signature x _____

**Schedules will be posted on school website

**Follow “gsms_basketball” on instagram for updates

Glenwood Springs Middle School 2018 8th Grade Basketball Schedule

(B team will play first at 4:30, with A following)

Day	Date	H/A	Opponent	Location	Time B	Time A	Bus Departure
Tuesday	1/23/18	Away	Basalt	BMS	4:30	5:30	3:20
Tuesday	1/30/18	Home	Aspen	GSMS	4:30	5:30	2:45
Thursday	2/1/18	Home	Riverview	GSMS	4:30	5:30	TBA
Saturday	2/3/18	Away	B-Team Tournament	RMS	TBA	N/A	TBA
Tuesday	2/6/18	Away	Rifle	RMS	4:30	5:30	TBA
Wednesday	2/7/18	Home	Riverside	GSMS	4:30	5:30	TBA
Tuesday	2/13/18	Away	Grand Valley	GVMS	4:30	5:30	TBA
Thursday	2/15/18	Home	Carbondale	GSMS	4:30	5:30	TBA
Saturday	2/17/2018	Away	PEG Final Tournament (8th Grade) Aspen *A team only*				TBA

****7th plays opposite location of 8th****

****Open Gyms/Bus Times TBA****

Practice Times

Week	8th Practice Time	7th Practice Time	Notes
1/8-1/12	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30	First week! Have all paperwork done!
1/15-1/19	5:00-6:30	3:30-5:00	Open gym time TBA 1/15/19
1/22-1/26	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30	First Game.
1/29-2/2	5:00-6:30	3:30-5:00	Open gym time TBA 1/29/17. Big week!
2/5-2/9	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30	Two games
2/12-2/16	5:00-6:30	3:30-5:00	Last Week!

Manager's Responsibilities

- Show up everyday! Your job is important to the team. Managers failing to meet this expectation will be excused from the team.
- Maintain academic and behavioral eligibility.
- Do not distract the players.
- Have fun!

Duties During Practice

- Immediately after school sweep the gym. Only managers are allowed in the gym while it's being swept.
- Find coach for keys and get balls out of cage. Make sure appropriate balls are out for season. Pump up any balls that may need air. (Setup balls near entrance to boys locker room by the wall)
- Wet down towel in girls locker room and place it next to the balls so the players can wipe their feet off.
- Come to Coach Caro to figure out what other jobs need to be done. (organizing cages, jerseys, balls, etc.)
- Sweep the gym after late practices!!

Game Day Duties

- Away games: gather the following items
 - 3 balls in travel bag
 - water bottles
 - med kit
 - player checkout sheet
- Home Games:
 - Sweep the floor (no one is allowed in the gym until coach gives permission)
 - Pull out bleachers (I will ask certain players to help you with this)
 - Pull out scorers table
 - Setup scoreboard
 - After the game put everything away neatly and sweep the floor