Q: Before the registration deadline, players are placed on teams taking into consideration player requests, carpool request, and middle school attendance area. Once a team reaches the maximum number of players allowed, or the registration deadline has passed, players will be placed on another team in their middle school area or the next team that has not reached its maximum number of players. You are not guaranteed any requests once the registration deadline has passed.

Q: There have been occurrences where a player’s registration has been submitted before the registration deadline, but the player did not make it on the team they requested. This happens when a team’s maximum registration number was met and the player in question did not make it into the top date range registrations. When teams have an abundance of players who have made the same requests for a team, the registration date and time are used to determine who will be on the team.

Q: Girls and Boys 1st grade co-ed registration deadline is September 24, 2021
Girls Basketball 2nd-6th grade registration deadline is September 24, 2021
Boys and Girls 1st grade co-ed registration deadline is December 24, 2021
Boys Basketball 2nd-6th grade registration deadline is December 24, 2021
Boys Basketball 7th/8th grade registration deadline is January 21, 2022

Q: 1st grade - 6 player teams; co-ed; 3 on 3
2nd and 3rd grade - 8 players teams; 4 on 4
4th-8th grade – 10 player teams; 5 on 5

Q: Typically, the seasons run 8-10 weeks long. This includes approximately 2 weeks of practice opportunities prior to the first game and approximately 6-8 weeks for games.
The 2021 Girls 2nd – 6th and 1st grade co-ed seasons run October 18 – December 18.
The 2022 Boys 2nd-6th grade and 1st grade co-ed seasons run January 17-March 12.
Boy’s 7th/8th grade season runs January 31 – March 6. Boys 7th/8th grade have double headers Sunday’s and practice during the week.

Q: Girls season practices begin the week of October 18. Boys seasons practices being the week of January 17. The days teams practice depends upon the grade. First and second grade teams will practice and play games on Saturdays. All other grades practice during the week. Additional note: Coaches receive their team rosters at the mandatory coach meeting; see dates listed below. Coaches are asked to call their players immediately upon receiving this information to inform families of practice dates and times. Families, please give your coach 24 hours after the last meeting date listed for your coach to make contact. If you still have not heard from someone 24 hours after the last meeting date, please contact the Main Office at 254-3866.

Q: 1st Grade Co-ed and Girls 2nd Grade Coaches meeting date: October 19, 2021
Girls 3rd-6th grade Coaches meeting opportunities (pick one): October 7 OR October 12, 2021
1st Grade Co-ed 2nd Grade Coaches meeting date: January 11, 2022
Boys 3rd-6th grade Coaches meeting opportunities (pick one): January 10 OR January 13, 2022
7/8 grade Coaches meeting date: January 27, 2022
Q: What school will my team practice?
A: All team practices are scheduled at District 51 elementary schools. Every effort will be made to schedule practice at the closest elementary school in each team’s designated middle school area. Not all elementary schools are available for practices. We do our best to keep consistency and proximity in mind when scheduling.

Q: How many days will my player practice?
A: 1st & 2nd grade teams practice and play games on Saturdays; ½ hour practice & ½ hour game
3rd & 4th grade teams are guaranteed 1 practice each week for the season. Each practice is 1 hour
5th grade teams are guaranteed 1 practice, but may get 2 depending upon school gym availability
6th grade teams are guaranteed 2 practices each week of the season
7th/8th grade are guaranteed 2+ practices each week of the season
**Note: Any grade can request additional practices

Q: What time do practices begin during the week?
A: Weekday practices run one hour in length beginning at 5:30pm. The last practice will start no later than 7:30pm. Typically the youngest teams are scheduled for the 5:30pm timeslots. Teams get placed on the practice schedule based on openings and school availability.

Q: What day of the week are the games and what time do games begin?
A: All 1st-6th grade teams play on Saturdays. Boys 7th/8th grade teams play on Sundays. Game times begin at 9:00am. Each game is approximately 1 hour. You can view game schedules once posted at http://www.teamsideline.com/sites/grandjunction

Q: What school will my team play games?
A: 1st grade – Chipeta Elementary
   2nd grade – West Middle School
   3rd grade – East Middle School
   4th grade – Bookcliff Activity Center
   5th grade – Pear Park Elementary
   6th grade – Bookcliff Middle School
   7th/8th grade – Fruita High School
*Note: This youth basketball program has an “interleague” relationship with Fruita Parks and Recreation. 3rd – 6th grade teams will have at least one game in Fruita. These games are played at the Fruita Middle School.

Q: What size hoop and ball will my player use?
A: 1st & 2nd grade: 8 ft hoops & junior ball (size 5 or 27”)
   3rd grade: 8 ft hoops & junior ball (size 5 or 27”)
   4th grade: 10 ft hoops & junior ball (size 5 or 27”)
   5th - 6th grade: 10 ft hoops & intermediate ball (size 6 or 28.5”)
   7th - 8th grade Boys: 10 ft hoops and regulation ball (29”)

Q: When and where are team photos?
A: Team photos are scheduled one hour prior to game time at the facility where your team plays.
   Coaches will hand out picture packets prior to the scheduled picture dates. Even if you choose not to purchase photos, please make sure that all players are present for the team photo for those players who are purchasing pictures. Please see dates below:
   Girls 1st, 2nd, 4th, & 6th – November 6, 2021
   Girls 3rd & 5th Grade – November 13, 2021
   Boys 1st, 3rd & 5th Grade – February 5, 2022
   Boys 2nd, 4th, & 6th – February 12, 2022
Q: What if the jersey I ordered during registration does not fit my player?
A: All players will be issued reversible jerseys. If you need a new jersey for any reason, you need to call the main office at 254-3866 to purchase and reorder for a $12 fee. Once the jerseys have been issued to the coaches who hand them out to the players, they cannot be returned or traded. There are sample jerseys at the Main Recreation Office if you need to try it on.

Q: The jerseys are black on one side and white on the other. Which color do I wear if I am the home or the away team?
A: When your team is the home team, your player will wear the white side of the jersey. When they are the away team, they will wear black. Home or away status is illustrated on the game schedule.

Q: Are there special requirements for the washing the basketball jerseys?
A: Wash jerseys in cool water and hang to dry. Do not put them in the dryer.