

To Intermediate Basketball Coaches:

. After the due date has passed the 4 new divisions will be established using the number of teams entered, the population of the schools involved and the desire of any schools that wish to move to a larger based population tournament.. This new arrangement may result in schools changing divisions.

Because the **maximum number of schools eligible to enter the tournament has been set at 8 there is the strong possibility of pre games having to be played.** These pre games are based on a random draw keeping in mind such items as the distance between possible opponents, the attempt to avoid having two teams in the same league play each other, the attempt to avoid having the same schools play each other more than one year in succession , the attempt to not have the boys and girls teams both having to play pre games etc.... Before pregames are created I will be in touch with all convenors . This is done to avoid a 0 - 9 team receiving a bye while two 9 - 0 teams play each other in a pregame . With the difference of play within each league there will be some difficult pregames for those entered. All teams entering the tournament will then receive the pre draw information (opponent, location and time of game) through firstclass. **.All pre games will be double headers where and when possible with O.B.A. referees used.** The cost per team in a double header will be 12.50 per team. For a single game the cost will be 15.00 per team. These pre games must take precedent over regular season play.If you have a conflict between a pregame and a regular season game please contact your convenor immediately so the necessary changes can be made to your league schedule. Convenors should be the only ones in contact with the referees.. **The referees will be assigned by the Coordinator with the cost shared amongst those playing.** The pre games will be played at the best possible site with the host school playing the 2nd game.

If you have any questions concerning the tournament please feel free to e mail through Firstclass . **All information will be posted on the D.S.B.N. elementary athletic web page and posted on Firstclass under District Basketball.**

When there is a **default in a basketball game or a game has been cancelled beyond the acceptable time period for referees to be contacted the team that cancels or defaults is responsible for the full payment of the referees fees.** This is especially true in the pregames . The **exception** to this rule would be a regular season game where both teams agree to postpone or cancel a game for a variety of reasons. In this case the cost will be shared. The referees work in a variety of vocations and in many cases can not be reached at the last hour by the referee assigner as he too works during the day. **Please help out by not leaving decisions until the last moment.** Again an exception would be a sudden and drastic change in weather conditions. .