



FALL TRYOUT PACKET



Congratulations on being selected to attend our 2020 Fall Club Basketball Tryouts! Since our program's inception in 2009, we have earned a reputation as one of the most well respected player development and college recruitment programs in all of New England. Please review the following packet, this includes all detailed information heading into our upcoming Fall Evaluation sessions.

Since 2009, our program has assisted in the placement of over 80+ student-athletes at the collegiate level. We are one of the only programs in the entire country to offer a College Placement Program for all members of our High School program. Most recently we have placed student-athletes at the following [Quinnipiac University](#), [Bryant University](#), [University of Vermont](#), [Assumption College](#), [Pace University](#), [Tufts University](#), [Denison College](#), [Springfield College](#), [Emerson College](#), [Wheaton College](#), [Clark University](#), [Endicott College](#), [Emmanuel College](#), [Hartwick College](#), [St. Lawrence University](#), [Occidental College](#), [Suffolk University](#), [Wentworth Institute of Technology](#), [New England College](#), [Regis College](#), [Anna Maria College](#) and many others!!!!

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2020 Fall Club Basketball Tryouts

Mass Elite Basketball is excited to announce that we will be hosting 2020 Fall Tryouts beginning this August. All families must register online through their League Apps account via our website located at masseliteselect.com. Returning players from the 2020 Postponed Spring Season may enter a promo code when registering for 2020 Fall Tryouts. New and Returning Players must attend a tryout session to be eligible for team placement.

Teams will be offered out of Eastern Mass Locations and Northern-Central Mass Locations. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic we are currently limiting our practice sites.

- **Essex Sports Complex** located in Middleton will be the new home for Eastern Massachusetts based teams.
- **Millworks** located in Westford will continue to be the home for Central Massachusetts based teams.

(*) Players interested in participating out of teams based out of Eastern Massachusetts are encouraged to attend the tryout on August 16th at the Essex Sports Complex located in Middleton.

(**) Players interested in participating in teams based out of Northern-Central Massachusetts are encouraged to attend one of the two offered tryout sessions held at the Millworks located in Westford.

Players must attend at least one of the tryout sessions to be eligible for team placement. We typically offer 3-4 teams per grade level, usually 1 SELECT team at each grade level beginning in the 7th grade. All other teams are regionally based to ensure convenience for families.

The Fall schedule consists of 2 weekday practices beginning in Early September. Teams will participate in 7 weekend tournaments running till Early November. Players may be offered potential roster spots following their 1st tryout session, although it is typical that players will be asked to attend multiple sessions prior to confirming team placement.

KEY CONTACTS IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

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FALL TRYOUTS

AUGUST 16th

EASTERN

AT ESSEX SPORTS CENTER

6:00-7:00PM

BOYS & GIRLS | 3rd-6th GRADE

7:00-8:00PM

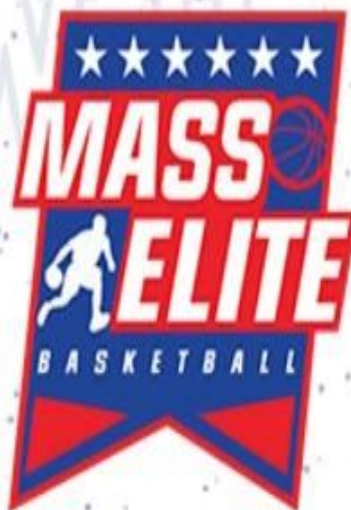
BOYS & GIRLS | 7th-9th GRADE

8:00-9:00PM

BOYS & GIRLS | 10th-12th GRADE



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FALL TRYOUTS

AUGUST 23rd & 30th

CENTRAL **AT MILLWORKS**

6:00-7:00PM

BOYS & GIRLS | 3rd-6th GRADE

7:00-8:00PM

BOYS & GIRLS | 7th-9th GRADE

8:00-9:00PM

BOYS & GIRLS | 10th-12th GRADE



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many tryout sessions do I need to attend?

All players are required to attend at least one tryout session, preferably at the location that they would like to practice out of. If players cannot attend a specific regional tryout session, they may attend a tryout in an alternate region. Many new players will be asked to attend two tryout sessions before we can finalize team placement.

What does a tryout session typically look like?

All players must arrive at least 30 minutes early for check in. Upon check-in, we break up student-athletes by their specific grade and place them with the specific grade level coordinator, in addition to his or her secondary coaches.

What does it cost to attend a tryout session?

The cost to attend a tryout session is \$25. This fee covers multiple tryout sessions, in case potential players are asked to attend additional sessions. All fees should be paid in advance and online at our website www.masseliteselect.com

When will I be notified of team placement?

Typically 2-3 days following the tryout, the Chief Director and Grade Level Coordinator will either offer a player a spot or ask the player to attend additional tryout sessions for further evaluation. Once a player is offered a spot, he/she has 48 hours to “commit” and accept the offer. A commitment is not valid until payment has been processed electronically with our partners at League Apps.

Do you offer A, B and C level teams?

No we do not. Our teams are offered on a Regional Basis, although we do typically offer a SELECT team beginning at the 7th grade level. We strive to put together competitive teams that will put our athletes in the best possible position to develop his/her skills in a competitive environment.

Are teams the same during the Fall and Spring seasons?

No. We offer tryouts before each competitive season and the rosters may change based on players overall development and performance.



Over the past few months, we have been tested in ways that we never imagined. In just a few short weeks schools, businesses and everyday life had been shut down. Keeping our social distance has been very challenging. We are accustomed to spending quality time with friends. Coping with social distancing has been challenging on adults and children alike. We especially feel for the Class of 2020 who have lost out on graduation, proms, Senior Activities and all the things that we always before took for granted. We have been learning to cope with the challenges of social distancing, during so we have challenged ourselves and have been adapting to new ways of teaching and learning. While we still have challenges ahead, we are encouraged by what stands in our future.

Many in our community have turned their immediate attention to what comes next. Our entire business, accounting and basketball operations teams have formulated an exciting plan that allows for our student-athletes to play basketball in a safe and nurturing environment. Student-Athletes previously enrolled in Spring programs will have the option of extending the season into the Fall season, utilizing “credit” from the postponed Spring season. We also will be opening the door to new players looking to experience a “Best in Class” club basketball experience.

For more information on our program and our COVID-19 re-opening plan please contact Coach Eric Polli, Chief Director of Basketball Operations via email at ericpolli@yahoo.com



NEW General Precautions

- If an individual planning to attend a Mass Elite practice or weekend tournament is currently experiencing a fever (100.4+) or any severe flu-like symptoms, we request that the individual not attend the upcoming event.
- Any athlete that has missed school 14 days prior to an event for experiencing any flu-like symptoms is not eligible to play in upcoming practices or weekend tournaments unless he or she tests negative for COVID-19 through a rapid test.
- If an athlete or spectator has experienced any flu-like symptoms recently, he or she needs to be symptom free for 14 days prior to the event in order to attend unless he or she tests negative for COVID-19 through rapid testing.
- All coaches will be checked regularly for COVID-19 symptoms, anyone experiencing any symptoms must get tested specifically for COVID-19 immediately to be eligible to coach.
- Coaches will be strongly encouraged to arrange for antibody testing for past COVID-19 exposure.

NEW Event Precautions

- Post and pre-game handshakes and high-fives are suspended at weekend tournaments and team practices until further notice. All athletes and coaches should refrain from handshakes and high-fives during competition.
- All coaches **MUST** wear a mask at all weekend tournaments and practices.
- All players **MUST** wear a mask at all weekend tournaments and practices, except when sitting on the bench or physically competing in the game.
- All parents are **REQUIRED** to social distance and wear a mask.
- All players and coaches disinfect their basketball before and after each practice, game, during timeouts, at halftime and whenever possible.
- While tournament operators typically require spectators and coaches to wear wristbands for admissions purposes, we strongly encourage that your wristbands now be attached to keys, purses or backpacks instead of wrists to minimize contact.
- Until further notice, many of the events we attend will not be selling concessions. It is at the discretion of each facility to decide whether or not they will sell their own concessions.
- Tournament event operators will provide hand-sanitizing options at the admissions table for spectators and at scoring tables for athletes, coaches and referees.

Personal Hygiene Precautions

- Athletes, coaches, spectators and referees should practice good hand hygiene by washing their hands for 20 seconds with soap and water before and after all games.
- Players should avoid touching their face, eyes, nose and mouth at all times. -
- We encourage all athletes to cough and sneeze into their elbow to prevent the spread of germs, and to wash their hands after any time that they cough, sneeze or blow their nose. -
- Athletes and families should not share any drinks or snacks with anyone.
- Each individual should dispose of their own water bottles, utensils and trash to avoid spreading germ