

Booster Club Regions & Draft Procedures Intent of the Draft

The purpose of Youth Recreational Athletic Leagues is to provide an enjoyable organized experience under capable adult supervision for the youth of Botetourt County. The leagues are organized to promote sportsmanship, cooperation, and fair play at all times while developing knowledge and skills of the game.

In an effort to ensure competitive balance amongst teams and prevent “Stacking of Teams”, the following policy outlines the process for each draft held by the department and its booster club affiliates.

Integrity of the Draft

Coaches and/or administrators that seek to undermine the integrity of the draft in any way will be disciplined accordingly. Discipline could include but is not limited to suspensions and/or revoking of coaching privileges.

Once the draft is concluded and all teams are formed, there will be no trades allowed between teams.

Player and Team Eligibility

An existing Youth Recreation Booster Club recognized by the Parks and Recreation Department and the Recreation Advisory Commission, must sponsor all teams entered into leagues. Private, select, travel or otherwise non-recognized teams will not be allowed to enter into recreation leagues.

A child must play for the Booster Club that represents the elementary school district in which they live or school in which they attend.

Booster Club Regions

Any Booster Club fielding more than one team per age group must place players on teams by using the County drafting procedures.

Instructional leagues (ages 8 & Under) are not required to draft players onto teams, although are encouraged to do so when possible.

Booster clubs that do not have enough for a team in an age group are encouraged to pool their registrations together in regions when necessary to field teams.

- Eagle Rock, Buchanan & Breckinridge- North Region
- Blue Ridge & Cloverdale- South Region
- TDAC & Greenfield- Central Region

In the event that there are not enough children registered in an age group within a region to field a team, those children will be sent to the next closest region.



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Children Playing Up

At the Booster Club's discretion, children are allowed to be moved up in order to field a team in a given age group. If a booster club has enough registrations for two or more teams, no players should be moved up, subject to note below.

The parent or guardian of a child who is in the upper age of a division may request to play up to the next age level by requesting such permission through the Booster Club (i.e. a 10 year old could request to move to 11-12 division, but a 9 year old could not.) The request would be made to the booster club, who would then make a recommendation to the Parks & Recreation office for the final determination.

Physical Draft Procedure

If a region (i.e. North, South or Central) has more than one team in an age group, a physical draft may be held upon a request of the Club(s). Physical draft dates will be set and administered by the recreation department one to two weeks from the start of practice. A physical draft will consist of each player attending an evaluation practice. As the players check-in, they will be assigned a numbered sticker that will be placed on their shirt back. This number will correspond to their name on a roster that each coach will have. This will allow the coaches to identify players as they move through stations and drills designed so that each coach will have an opportunity to evaluate them. Afterwards, the head coach and draft supervisor will meet and draft the teams.

Player Draft Procedure

A member of the Parks and Recreation staff or Recreation Advisory Commission must be present to supervise each draft. An officer of the Booster Club will conduct each draft. Only Head Coaches will be allowed to select players.

Assistant coaches, parents and players will not be allowed to participate in any draft.



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The following procedures will be used for all drafts:

1. Minimum and maximum roster sizes are determined prior to registration and governed by specific league rules set by the recreation department and the recreation advisory commission.
2. After signups are completed in each area, booster clubs will determine the number of teams they will sponsor in each age division.
3. Once numbers of teams has been determined, players should be divided equally on all teams being drafted for each respective age group.
4. The head coach's child(ren) is protected and automatically on the team and does not need to be drafted by head coach.
5. The assistant coach's child(ren) is not protected in the draft and therefore must be selected by head coach.
6. Siblings who play in the same age division must be taken on the same team unless otherwise requested by parents.
7. A coach's draw will determine who drafts first and this order will be used throughout the draft.
8. There will be no age restriction within the draft; therefore a coach may select any player from available pool.

Drafting chart for 2-5 teams:

Selection Order	2 Team	3 Team	4 Team	5 Team
Round 1	1 2	1 2 3	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4 5
Round 2	2 1	2 3 1	2 3 4 1	2 3 4 5 1
Round 3	1 2	3 1 2	3 4 1 2	3 4 5 1 2
Round 4	2 1	1 2 3	4 1 2 3	4 5 1 2 3
Round 5	1 2	2 3 1	1 2 3 4	5 1 2 3 4
Round 6	2 1	3 1 2	2 3 4 1	1 2 3 4 5
Round 7	1 2	1 2 3	3 4 1 2	2 3 4 5 1
Round 8	2 1	2 3 1	4 1 2 3	3 4 5 1 2
Round 9	1 2	3 1 2	1 2 3 4	4 5 1 2 3
Round 10	2 1	1 2 3	2 3 4 1	5 1 2 3 4
Round 11	1 2	2 3 1	3 4 1 2	1 2 3 4 5
Round 12	2 1	3 1 2	4 1 2 3	2 3 4 5 1
Round 13	1 2	1 2 3	1 2 3 4	3 4 5 1 2