

2024 St. Mark Basketball Tournament Information:

Place: 500 Wigwam Lane, Stratford, CT.

Dates: Tuesday January 16, 2024 thru Saturday February 3, 2024

- Double elimination tournament
- Entry fee is \$150. Please make checks payable to “St. Mark School”
- Deadline for entry fees and rosters is January 2, 2024 (late entries allowed only if space permits)
- GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP is our most important goal! COACHES are responsible for the conduct of their players and fans while at the St. Mark Parish Center Gymnasium.
- The parent or legal guardian of the player understands that there is a possibility that their child may be injured as a result of participating in this tournament. The parent agrees that he or she will maintain adequate medical insurance and will rely on his or her own resources to pay for any injuries sustained by the minor child while participating in this tournament whether it is in a game or practice situation.
- Equipment: Teams must have a full first aid kit (including cold packs) for all games. Please DO NOT BRING BALLS into the gym. We will supply warm-up balls.

Tournament Rules and Regulations:

1. Maximum of fifteen (15) players allowed per team.
2. No game will begin without five (5) players on the team’s roster.
3. Two certified officials will officiate games in all divisions with the exception of JJV and all rulings and/or decisions of the officials are final.
4. Players must be in their proper uniform and may not wear jewelry of any kind. Earrings cannot be worn with tape or other covering and must be removed.
5. Teams must be ready to play at assigned times. Actual game times will be 10 minutes after the completion of the prior game or at the scheduled time, whichever is first.
6. A 10-minute allowance will be granted beyond the scheduled start time for a team to field five (5) players, otherwise a forfeit will be declared.
7. To minimize congestion, teams are not permitted in the gym more than fifteen (15) minutes before their assigned game time.
8. Only a head coach or assistant coach on a team’s roster will be allowed to coach a team during a game.
9. Only the head coach may stand. The assistant coach and/or the team’s scorer must be seated on the team bench. The team’s scorer may sit at the official scorer table on stage but is not allowed to yell instructions, cheer, or disrupt the concentration of the official scorers.
10. If a player or coach becomes abusive towards an official, coach, or player, he/she will be expelled from the game and must leave St. Mark premises immediately.
11. Varsity games will consist of four (4) seven (7) minute quarters. JV and JJV games will consist of (4) six (6) minute quarters. The clock will be stopped for timeouts and fouls or at times when designated by the officials.
12. Each team is allowed two (2) full timeouts per half and do not carry over.
13. Overtime periods, if necessary, will be three (3) minutes with the exception of JJV which will be two (2) minutes. Only one (1) timeout will be allowed per team during overtime period.
14. Players must remain seated on the team bench unless entering the game. Players must approach the scorer’s table and yell ‘sub’ so the scorer is aware of the substitutes. Players may enter the game only after being ‘waived in’ by the referee.
15. The seventh (7th) foul of each half will put team in a 1&1 penalty shot situation. The tenth (10th) foul of each half will result in a two-shot penalty situation.
16. For JV and Varsity, full court press is allowed. The diocesan mercy press rules apply with JV calling off the press with a 15-point lead and Varsity calling off the press with a 20-point lead. For JJV, a full court press is allowed ONLY in the last two minutes of each half with 10-point mercy press rule.
17. One warning per team per half will be given for mercy press rule. The penalty for continued pressing after being warned is a bench technical foul assessed to the coach.
18. A player “fouls out” after receiving his/her 5th individual foul.
19. If an undefeated team loses the first game of the FINALS, and the opposing team has only one loss, this forces a half-game (2 quarters) to be played immediately following and its winner is the champion.