BI-COUNTY 8-44 SPECIAL OLYMPICS

2026 • 5v5 FULL-COURT BASKETBALL

Season-at-a-Glance for Athletes & Families

PRACTICES **North Middle School Gym** N88W16801 Main St., Menomonee Falls **Saturdays • 8:00–10:00 a.m.**	**COACH CONTACT** **Head Coach Marla Binder** 414-840-7918 bindmar64@gmail.com
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ABOUT TEAM BASKETBALL

Traditional or Unified teams compete in timed, full-court 5v5 play. Team Basketball is a Spring Season sport with two qualifying rounds leading to Spring Games. Athletes may not compete in another Spring Season sport while participating in Team Basketball.

ASSESSMENTS & TEAM PLACEMENT

Every 5v5 athlete must complete the Special Olympics Wisconsin assessment. Coaches will follow the new assessment guidelines, rank athletes by score, and create teams by divisional level to support fair and safe competition. Teams will be announced at the next practice after assessments are completed.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS Please read guidelines regarding uniforms.

PRACTICE CALENDAR

IMPORTANT: All practices are prepaid for each athlete. Regular attendance is important because athletes must meet practice requirements to remain eligible for tournaments. Consistent participation also helps athletes develop their skills and prepare for competition. If you are late or unable to attend, please notify the coach as soon as possible.

NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
7,14,	5,12,19,	9, 16, 23, 30	6, 13, 20, 27
MARCH		**APRIL**	
6,13,20		3	

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MKE CLASSIC TOURNAMENT	BRANDON SPREWER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT
Jan. 17–18, 2026	**January 31, 2027**
Vincent High School 7501 N. Granville Road, Milwaukee, WI	Vincent High School 7501 N. Granville Road, Milwaukee, WI
SOBAT – MUKWONAGO	
Feb. 7, 2027	
Mukwonago High School 605 W. Veterans Way, Mukwonago, WI	
REGIONAL 8 / DISTRICT	**STATE SPRING GAMES**
March 7, 2027	**April 9 - 11, 2027**
Homestead High School 5000 W. Mequon Road, Mequon, WI 53092	University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh 800 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, WI 54901

ADVANCEMENT: All teams compete in Region 8/District. There is no Sectional in 2026. First-place teams receive a Spring Games quota spot; additional quota spots are distributed by random draw.

Basketball Coaching Resources • **2026 SOWI Team Basketball Rules**

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