# Special Olympics BI-COUNTY

# **5 V 5 FULL COURT BASKETBALL**

#### About Team Basketball

Team Basketball consists of traditional or unified 5v5 teams competing in full-court, timed competition. One of Special Olympics Wisconsin's most popular team sports, Team Basketball has two rounds of qualifying before culminating at Spring Games.

## 2026 Competition Options

Team Basketball is part of the Spring Season. Athletes may not compete in any other sport in the Spring Season in conjunction with Team Basketball.

Practice Schedule – NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM N88W16801 Main St., Menomonee Falls. Saturdays 8am – 10am

All basketball athletes for 5v5 will complete the **Special Olympics Wisconsin Assessments**. These assessments help determine each athlete's appropriate level of play. Please note that we are required to follow the **new Special Olympics Wisconsin Assessment Guidelines**. After the assessments are completed, coaches will rank players based on their scores and create teams according to the divisional rankings. This process ensures a fair and safe level of competition for all athletes, considering each player's physical needs and abilities. Teams will be announced at the **next practice**. Thank you for your understanding and support as we begin another exciting basketball season.

November 1,8,15, December 6, 13, 20 January 10\*, 24, 31 February 7, 14, 21, 28 March 7, 14, 21, 28

April 11

\*January 10 Practice at Ben Franklin Elementary

\*\*All practices are prepaid. Attending each practice is important, as practice time is required for tournament eligibility and helps athletes build their skills. If you will be late or unable to attend, please notify the coach.\*\* Coach Marla: 414-840-7918 marla.c.binder@icloud.com

### Tournaments:

**Brandon Sprewer Classic Tournament** Vincent High School, 7501 Granville Road, Milwaukee, WI

Date(s): Saturday, January 17 & 18, 2026

SOBAT – Mukwonago Tournament

Mukwanago High School, 605 W Veterans Way Mukwanago, WI

Date: Sunday, February 1, 2026

All teams will compete in the Regional 8/District competition. There will not be a Sectional this year. Advancement to the Spring Games will happen from the regional/district Tournament Teams that place 1st in will receive a quota spot. Additional quota will be distributed by random draw.

2026 Regional Competition March 8, 2026

Homestead High School 5000 W Mequon Road Mequon, WI 53092 2026 State Competition Spring Games April 17th – 19th

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh 800 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, WI 54901

Basketball Coaching Resources

2026 SOWI Team Basketball Rules