



## **Think Detroit PAL 2012 Little Hoopers** **Important Questions and Things to Know**



- 1. What is Little Hoopers?**  
Little Hoopers is an instructional basketball league for 4-6 year old boys and girls. The league is non-competitive and focuses on teaching basketball fundamentals while fostering a love for the game. Coaches are high energy and utilize age appropriate games to keep the kids interested while learning. Practices are combined with “mini-games” into one hour sessions, once per week.
- 2. How old must my child be to participate in Little Hoopers?**  
Participants should be between 4 and 6 years old when the program begins Feb. 4, 2012.
- 3. How and where do I register?**  
Individuals may register at the Think Detroit PAL office at 111 W. Willis, Detroit, MI 48201 Monday through Friday between the hours of 10 am and 6 pm. The registration fee is \$30. The fee includes 10 weeks of programming, a t-shirt jersey and a trophy.
- 4. What are the registration deadlines?**  
Registration ends January 13, 2012
- 5. When do practices and games start and end?**  
Little Hoopers do not have practice. They have 10 weeks of programming which will include learning basketball fundamentals and playing in “mini-games” against other Little Hoopers at the same facility. The program will begin the week of February 4, 2012 and end the week of April 15. Sessions will last one hour.
- 6. When & where will the program be held?**  
While the schedule has not yet been determined, the program will be at the same day/time and location each week.  
  
Locations by division  
West division- Murphy Elementary-Middle School, 23901 Fenkell 48223 (Telegraph and Fenkell)  
Central division- Dielh Boys & Girls Club, 4242 Collingwood 48204 (Btw Broadstreet and Dexter, North of Joy)  
East division- WOW Church & Life Center, 14111 E. 7 Mile, 48205 (NE corner of 7 Mile and Gratiot)
- 7. Can my 4-6 year old play in a higher age group?**  
Children can play up in a higher age division. We have a competitive 8 & under division for participants with more advanced skills.
- 8. Can my child who is under 4 years old play Little Hoopers with an older sibling?**  
Children who will be under 4 years old when the program begins may not play Little Hoopers, even with an older sibling participating.
- 9. What else does my child need to participate in basketball?**  
Gym shoes are mandatory. Gym clothes are recommended. The program will be during the winter when it is cold and snowy outside, but still warm inside the gym. Parents should dress their child in layers so that they do not get too hot while playing or too cold on the way to and from. Children wearing winter boots may not participate.

### **Questions?**

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