

2026 Saint Agnes CYO | 22nd Annual Christmas Basketball Tournament

Official Game Rules

Welcome to the 22nd Annual Saint Agnes CYO Christmas Tournament!

We are grateful for your participation and hope your players, families, and coaches enjoy a competitive and well-organized week of basketball.

For any questions throughout the tournament, please contact:

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Tournament Game Rules

All games will be played under PIAA rules, along with applicable policies from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia CYO Handbook.

Coach & Team Requirements

- Coaches may stand but must remain on their half of the court.
 - No jewelry may be worn by any player. Covering jewelry with tape or Band-Aids is not permitted.
 - Teams should plan to arrive 20 minutes prior to their scheduled game time.
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1. Game Length

- Games consist of two 18-minute halves with a running clock.
 - The clock stops during:
 - Team and official timeouts
 - Last 2 minutes of each half (standard stop-clock rules apply)
 - Halftime will be 3 minutes.
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2. Timeouts

- Each team receives three (3) full timeouts per game.
- Timeouts do not carry over to overtime.

- One timeout is awarded for each overtime period.
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3. Pressing Rules

- Full-court pressing is allowed at all levels throughout the tournament.
 - A team may not press if leading by 15 points or more.
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4. Team Fouls & Free Throws

- Teams will shoot two free throws beginning with the 5th team foul in:
 - The first 9 minutes of each half
 - The last 9 minutes of each half
 - Team fouls reset at the 9-minute mark of each half.
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5. Overtime

- If needed, overtime will be 2 minutes, with stop-clock rules applied in the final minute.
 - Additional overtime periods will be played as necessary to determine a winner.
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6. Three-Point Rule

- The three-point line is in effect for all games and all divisions.
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7. Game Ball Sizes

- Boys (all levels): 29.5 ball
 - Girls (all levels): 28.5 ball
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8. Sportsmanship Expectations

- Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, bench, and fans.

- Respectful behavior is always expected; tournament staff reserve the right to remove disruptive spectators.

Best of luck to all teams!

We look forward to a great week of competitive basketball and holiday spirit.