## Hello Everyone!

Here is the information regarding the upcoming <u>Tim Walker Memorial Tournament</u> on **Saturday December 9 at the Saville Center** for all Southwest Mite teams! Please read the following instructions to help you understand how the day will run. <u>All games will be played on Courts 3 & 5 at the Saville Center.</u>

Please have your child bring:

- Coloured t-shirt (ones handed out for weekly sessions)
- Water bottle; and
- Basketball

Arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of your first game (schedule TBD). Avoid bringing food and drink into the gyms, only water.

## **Basic format of the Tournament:**

- Each team will have 3-4 GAMES. PLEASE CHECK SCHEDULE CAREFULLY!
- 3 on 3 format, I will be creating smaller groups from your weekly sessions
- 20 min games with running time (clock doesn't stop)
- The score <u>WILL NOT</u> be kept
- Each team will need to provide 1 parent volunteer and 1 coach to manage the clock and buzzer
- The buzzer needs to be sounded every 4 minutes for subs; remember it's running time
- Each team will have minimum 1 coach on the floor helping the game progress.
- 1. Coach on the floor may take a pass from players on the court to keep the game moving.
- 2. Rules are taught as the play is happening. Typically players are advised of a rule and play continues. Depending on the violation it may be appropriate to change possession of the ball.
- 3. There will be <u>no free throws</u>. When there is a change of possession or a basket is made, the defending team must retreat to half court before playing defense.
- 4. Players may not steal the ball from someone who has possession, however if the ball is in the air for a pass, shot, or rebound, it is fair game for any team.

A parent may help by sitting on the bench and assisting with substitutions for the team as it is running time and substitutions happen every 4 minutes.

Games MUST be kept on time. Please start and end promptly to allow a smooth day.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Lindsay Walker, Mites Coordinator for Southwest Basketball. <a href="mailto:mites@southwestbasketball.com">mites@southwestbasketball.com</a> CELL: 780-278-1497 Good Luck and have fun!