

### **Draft Procedures as of 2019-2020 Season**

At the conclusion of all of the tryout sessions for a grade group, a Board member or the GGC calculates an Overall Rating for each player using the sum of the player's ratings scores on the Player Evaluation "Tryout" Form (the Total Score (B)), along with the sum of ratings (if available) given by that player's coach the prior year (Total Score (A)).

The GGC shall then produce a **Player Allocation Spreadsheet** listing all players in the grade group in Rank Order, starting with the player with the highest Overall Rating.

**Overall Rating ties of two or more are decided by a coin toss.**

The Player Allocation Spreadsheet will include, for each player in the grade group, a numerical Rank Order, the Overall Rating, the Total Scores (A and B), as well as other information, including the birth-date, height, weight, and practice night/time availability. Player names and tryout numbers must be made available to the coaches.

Twins may or may not end up on the same team. Any disputes or requests regarding twins will be addressed by the House League Director and the GF Hoops Board.

### **Player Selection Meeting**

Only the GGC, grade group head coaches (or a head coach designee approved by the HLD that does not have a player in the grade group), and a designated Board member, will **meet to conduct the player allocation process at a time set by the GGC** (in consultation with the head coaches). Assistant coaches cannot be selected prior to the selection process (unless they have no child or sibling in the draft) and do not attend the player allocation meeting (exceptions can be made for youth assistant coaches with no sibling in the draft).

Coaches may not appoint an adult assistant coach prior to the draft. After the draft, head coaches that wish to add an adult assistant coach should provide the names to their GGC. The GGC will have the names approved and the assistant coach will be asked to register on the GF Hoops website. Youth assistant coaches may be appointed prior to the draft, assuming they do not have a sibling in the draft.

The GGC will make hard copies of the Player Allocation Chart available to the head coaches 24 hours prior to this meeting, and shall bring to the meeting a large marking pen, a calculator, and a method (such as numbered slips of paper in a bag) for conducting random draws as necessary among coaches.

**The GGC may not electronically transmit copies of the Player Allocation Chart to any coach for any reason.**

**\*\*\*\*At the end of the Player Selection Meeting, each coach must return the Player Allocation Chart to the GGC\*\*\*\***

The GGC shall also bring to the meeting a large blank **Draft Chart** with a grid having nine rows and one more column than there are teams in the grade group. The left hand column shall be labeled, starting with the second row and proceeding downward row by row, 1<sup>st</sup> round, 2<sup>nd</sup> round, 3<sup>rd</sup> round . . . 8<sup>th</sup> round.

The remaining boxes of the grid in the row labeled 1<sup>st</sup> round shall be labeled with small numbers in a corner of each box, starting with 1, 2, 3 . . . and proceeding to the right until all boxes are labeled (the last number should be the same as the total number of teams in the grade group). Then, starting from the box to the far right in the row labeled 2<sup>nd</sup> round and moving left, the boxes of that row are labeled with small numbers in the corner starting with the number that follows the number in the last box of the 1<sup>st</sup> round row.

#### Draft of the Most Skilled Players

In an effort to ensure that the **most skilled players in the grade group are distributed** as evenly as reasonably possible among the teams in the grade group, the first two rounds of the player allocation “draft” are conducted differently than are subsequent rounds.

First, the Rank Order of each player who is a child or sibling of a head coach shall be considered, and any head coach’s child or sibling whose Rank Order is within the range of the total number of players who will be selected in the first two rounds of the draft (where Rank Order is less than or equal to two times the number of teams in the grade group), are slotted by the GGC into the numbered box in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> round row of the Draft Chart that corresponds to their Rank Order.

Starting with the head coach’s child or sibling with the highest Rank Order, each such player’s name is written into the box on the Draft Chart that contains the corresponding number in the corner, and the player’s parent or sibling coach is written into the box at the top of that column of the Draft Chart.

In the event that a head coach’s name is already written into the top box of the column in which the name of a 2<sup>nd</sup> round player should be written in, that 2<sup>nd</sup> round player’s name, and the corresponding parent or sibling coach’s name, are moved to and written into the corresponding boxes in the next vacant column to the right on the Draft Chart.

Those head coaches whose child or sibling has not yet been slotted into the Draft Chart (and whose names therefore do not yet appear at the top of a column of the Draft Chart) then participate in a **random draw conducted by the GGC**. Numbers corresponding to the slots taken should be removed from the draw.

The name of the head coach drawing the lowest number in the draw is placed in the left-most vacant (where no other coach's name appears) box at the top of a column of the Draft Chart. The name of the head coach drawing the next higher number in the draw is placed in the next vacant box at the top of a column. This process continues, moving from left to right, until all head coach's names have been inserted into the boxes at the tops of the columns of the Draft Chart.

**The head coaches then select 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> round players**, and the GGC inserts the names of the players selected into the Draft Chart, moving from left to right in the 1<sup>st</sup> round and from right to left in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, with head coaches being skipped over if they already have a players in their box for that round.

**Head coaches' children and siblings who were not placed in the first two rounds by virtue of their Rank Order may not be selected in the first two rounds.**

#### Selection of the Remaining Players

**Once the first two rounds of selections are completed**, the names of head coaches' children and siblings who have not been slotted in the first two rounds are written into the box in the parent/sibling head coach's column that corresponds to the draft round in which their Rank Order would place them (round = Rank Order divided by the number of teams in the grade group, plus 1).

To **determine the order of selection in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round**, the GGC adds together the Overall Ratings of the two players each head coach has as his/her 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> round "picks", and writes each coach's Overall Ratings Sum in the corner of that coach's box in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round row on the Draft Chart. The head coach with the lowest Overall Ratings Sum selects first in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, the head coach with the second lowest Overall Ratings Sum picks second, etc., until the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of selections is completed. Ties are resolved by a random draw. Any head coach whose child or sibling is already slotted in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round does not select in that round.

The same procedure is followed for each subsequent round, with the **new Overall Ratings Sums being recalculated at the end of each round to include newly “drafted” players**, and the results of that recalculation determining the draft order for the following round, with the head coach with the lowest Overall Ratings Sum going first, the next lowest going second, etc. Children and siblings of head coaches are not included in the Overall Ratings Sum until all head coaches have made their selections for the round in which they are slotted.

**If there are not enough players registered to have an equal number of players on each team** at the time of the player allocation meeting, **the last round players will be allocated to the teams with the higher Overall Ratings Sums**. The number of higher Overall Ratings Sum teams who will select the final round players will be the same as the number of players left to be selected in the final round. **Of those teams that will get final round players, the coach of the team with the lower Overall Ratings Sum shall select first in that round, the coach of the team with the next lowest Overall Ratings Sum shall select second, and the team with the highest Overall Ratings Sum shall pick last**. For example, if a grade group has 10 teams and only 78 players registered, eight players will be selected in the 8<sup>th</sup> round. The two teams with the lowest sum total overall scores would therefore not select in the 8<sup>th</sup> round, and the first pick in the 8th round would go to the team with the next lowest Overall Ratings Sum. The coaches would then select in order from the team with the next highest Overall Ratings Sum to the team with the highest Overall Ratings Sum. The draft is complete when all players have been assigned to a team.

If the number of players is not equal on each team after the draft, or if a player is lost during the season due to injury, extended illness, or relocation, then a **late registrant** may be accepted and assigned to a team with fewer players than the other teams in the age group or to the team that has lost a player if the Commissioner determines that adding such a player will not upset the competitive balance between the teams in that age group. If a player is lost during the season due to injury, extended illness, or relocation, the coach must notify the GGC immediately.