

## WELCOME 2023 BASKETBALL TEAMS!

### Team Check-In

**ALL teams MUST check in on Friday, July 21st between 8am – 6pm at the LaHaye Student Center in the LaHaye Event Space** on the campus of Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA.

A Coach or a team representative MUST check in with the required documentation on this date in order to be able to participate in the 2023 VA Commonwealth Games at Liberty University, the team is not required to be present for this. Even if you do not play on Friday, please have a representative check in your team on Friday.

### Updating your roster

We ask that you please have your updated roster to us by Wednesday, July 19th at 5pm, so that we can prepare the team packets ahead of time and speed up your check-in process (however your final roster is expected at check-in if you have not turned it in - your online roster is **NOT** considered your final roster). **DO NOT FAX YOUR ROSTER.**

Please email Charity Waldron ([cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org)) or Operations Staff ([info@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:info@commonwealthgames.org)) with roster updates (an updated roster form preferred), make sure Team name, Division and player Date of birth is included.

**Signed waivers** (the form can be found on the [basketball page](#) - every player & parent (if under 18)- MUST sign - please put the team name and division at the top of the waiver form(s)!

You have 2 options to get these to us:

1. Fill out waiver form, scan & email to Charity Waldron at [cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org) - please put the team name and division at the top of the waiver form(s)!
2. Fill out waiver form and bring to team check in on Friday, July 21st between 8am – 6pm at the LaHaye Event Space.

**\*\*Teams WILL NOT be allowed to play without the completed waivers for each member of the team. Waivers can be printed from the [basketball page](#) of the website.**

### REQUIRED Documents

- Birth Certificates and Report Cards for each player (have to have at check in because they will be checked against your roster for verification) – we do not keep these, just review and give back.
- Signed Waivers
- Final Team Roster

Gyms will open one hour prior to first game time. PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A UNIFORM ON. COACHES WILL NOT BE ADMITTED WITHOUT WEARING THEIR WRISTBAND (they will receive at check in).

### Opening Ceremonies & Tailgate Party

Friday, July 21 from 5:30-8pm at the Indoor Football Practice Facility – Liberty University (across the street from the Ice Center)

**Everyone gets in FREE, however ONLY Athletes & Coaches with a wristband will receive the Free meal**

This event will include:

- Food (pizza & drink) – FREE for athletes & coaches with a credential/wristband ONLY
- Games
- Inflatables
- Lighting of the Cauldron
- MUCH MORE!

**Athletes & Coaches wearing their Games Credential will be permitted to march in the parade of athletes (line up occurs at 5:15pm).**

Helpful Links & Information:

[Games/Visitor Guide](#) – includes all of the following as well as Things to do while in Lynchburg, results & more – best page to bookmark other than the Basketball page – Dick's Sporting Goods coupons can be found here too!

[Ticket Prices](#) – You can purchase in advance and pick up your wristband at the gate by showing your purchase email!

[Hotels/Lodging](#)

[Directions to Gyms](#) (Click the link on the page for the Google Map to help make navigating a little easier)

[Restaurant Guide](#) – make plans to visit our locally sponsored restaurants during the Commonwealth Games. They are ready for business!

[Torch Hunger](#) – You can bring canned goods or non-perishable items and drop them off at Games Central, during the Games or participate in the text to donate campaign. Help us TORCH HUNGER and provide for families in the area through our partnership with the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank!

**VA Commonwealth Games Apparel will be available for purchase at various locations, throughout the weekend! Check out the Games Guide Page of our [Website for more info!](#)**

### **Schedules**

2023 Schedules are live in the app!

Download the app to get schedule information, alerts and real-time scores with TeamSnap Tournaments.

To download the TeamSnap Tournaments app, go to the Google Play Store or Apple App Store to find app:

1. Google Play Store - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.fanapp>
2. Apple App Store - <https://appsto.re/us/1ngndb.i>
3. In app sign in using this your email address and follow our tournament, 2023 Virginia Commonwealth Games Basketball Tournament
4. Now you can see favorite your team, see division schedules, and can receive real-time scores, updates, and notifications.

You can also see results on the web here. Please note that you will not receive real-time alerts unless you are on the app.

<https://events.teamsnap.com/events/28805/results/division>

To stay updated about the Games and for event updates make sure to check us out on:

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