



**Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry**  
**Archdiocese of Newark, NJ**



St. John Paul II Youth Retreat Center / CYO Sports / Catholic Scouting / PJH / Summer Camp

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**TO:** Pastors, Administrators, Grammar School Principals and Athletic Directors

**FR:** Tom Conboy, Director Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry

**RE:** Athletic Programs for our Schools and Parishes

**DATE:** September 14, 2018

In an effort to move forward with the recent letter you received regarding Grammar Athletics in the Archdiocese of Newark, we are looking to gather any and all Pastors, Administrators, Principals and Athletic Directors that currently or would like to offer Basketball at the Parishes or Schools of the Archdiocese of Newark in the upcoming 2018-2019 Athletics year.

As was spelled out in the letter from Msgr. Nydegger, Dr. Dames and myself, all Parish or School Basketball Programs - effective immediately - will no longer be able to participate in **ANY** Basketball Leagues, other than those run by the Archdiocese of Newark. To further clarify, this would be any Parishes or Schools playing in Private Recreational Leagues, In-town Leagues or Leagues outside of the Archdiocese of Newark's boundaries.

**The following meetings have been scheduled for the following Counties:**

***Essex County Parishes & Schools – Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.***

***Bergen County Parishes & Schools – Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.***

***Hudson County Parishes & Schools – Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.***

All three (3) of these meetings will take place in Sacred Heart Hall, at the Saint John Paul II Youth Retreat Center, located at 499 Belgrove Drive, Kearny. Sacred Heart Hall is located in the basement of the brick, Sacred Heart Chapel building. Entrance will be in the back of the building on the parking lot side.

We envision these meetings to be about 90 minutes in length. We plan to review all guidelines, documents and discuss logistics of our newly created Leagues. These meetings are not meant for individual Coaches to attend; but, rather, those in authority at a Parish or School that currently offers Basketball or would like to start a Grammar Aged Program.

Should you have any immediate questions, please feel free to contact me at 201-998-0088, ext. 4146 or at [Tom.Conboy@rcan.org](mailto:Tom.Conboy@rcan.org).

God Bless,  
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