Frequently Asked Questions

1. Does my child attend New Rep Player Tryouts or Junior Blues Tryouts?

Your child should attend the <u>New Rep Player Tryouts</u> if they have never played representative basketball.

It does not include having played for a school team or any domestic competitions.

Players will attend this tryout at the times listed and then, if selected to attend the <u>Junior Blues Tryouts</u>, will receive notification via email.

2. Does my child need to attend all Junior Blues Tryout sessions?

Yes, unless there are unforeseen circumstances and you have previously notified the Basketball Development Manager via <u>EMAIL</u> then your child must attend all listed sessions for their age group.

3. When will squads/teams be announced?

Squads will be announced via the Frankston Blues Facebook page after tryouts on Sunday the 9th of October

Squads are allocated after try-outs and will be finalised into teams after Christmas, any movement between squads will be communicated by Coaches and Coaching Coordinators.

4. My child was selected as an Emergency or a Training Player, do they need to register as a Junior Blue?

No, at this stage your child will not need to register as an emergency or training player, If they are selected to join the squad due to another player pulling out or injury, then you will be notified that you will need to register.

Training players are selected specifically in our Future Blues squads and will be required at training.

Emergency players are listed for all other squads and will not be required at training unless otherwise notified.

5. How do I register?

Registrations will be via PlayHQ, specific links for each team will be provided immediately following Squad Announcements or they can be found HERE.

6. Must Blues players play in the FDBA Domestic summer and winter competitions?

Yes - All Blues players must play in the FDBA domestic summer and winter competitions. *Exemptions can be requested through written application via <u>EMAIL</u> Reasons for exemptions may include State Development Program training commitments, travel etc

7. Must Blues players play in tournaments?

Yes - There are compulsory tournaments such as the *National Junior Classic Tournament* (VC qualification criteria applies).

Please find below a list of non-compulsory tournaments that our Junior Blues Program have been known to participate in (Regular dates provided – Please check websites):

- Southern Pen Tournament (12th and 13th November)
- Eltham/Dandenong Tournament (January)
- Bendigo Tournament (January)



- Adelaide Classic (Easter)
- Ballarat Tournament (May/June)
- Nunawading Spectres Tournament (Queens Birthday weekend)
- Melbourne Tournament (July)

*Entry into the non-compulsory tournaments is at the discretion of the coach

**Please check websites of these associations for recent updates due to COVID-19

8. When does the VJBL 2022/2023 season start?

VJBL regular season games are played on a Friday night. There are 5 distinct phases in the 2022/2023 VJBL season:

- Intra-Club Scrimmages
 - Boys Friday 14th October
 - Girls Friday 21st October
 - Practice Matches (vs. Casey on October 28th 2022)
- Grading Phase 1 (Starts November 18th)
- Grading Phase 2 (Starts February 3rd)
- VJBL Competition Games (February August 2023)
- VJBL Finals (August –September 2023)

9. What about my uniform?



The cost of the uniform is \$125 total - \$70 for the top and \$55 for the shorts.

Once teams have been selected fitting days will be arranged to assist returning and transferring players order a new uniform.

Any New/Transferring Players the club will provide an alternative uniform for Grading Phase One and until your new uniform arrives.

Merchandise items will include training singlet and shorts, backpacks, sublimated track pants and pro zip jackets. Any enquires please email: merch@frankstonbasketball.asn.au

10. How/When do I order a Blues Game Uniform and/or Player Pack?

Game Uniforms and New Player Packs can be sized and ordered on Friday the 14th of October 4pm-8pm, Friday 21st 4pm-8pm.

Singlet numbers are allocated by the Club and cannot be requested.

For Returning Blues Players needing to order a new uniform, please place an order HERE

Any enquires please email: merch@fdba.com.au

11. Where are games played?

Fixtures depend on where teams end up after grading but please be advised that there will be some travel involved. All games are found on the VJBL website fixtures and results page at <u>VJBL.com.au</u>

12. Will Blues players have 2 training sessions every week? Must the player attend both training sessions?

Yes - There will be 2 training sessions every week (except in some cases for Double Bottom age U12's who will train once a week). There is a mid-week training and a Sunday morning training (U12 teams start their training early). Team training schedules to be advised following tryouts.

Yes - All training is compulsory. Arrive 15 mins prior to training to foam roll and warm up. Training starts on <u>Tuesday 11th of October</u>.

13. Must the Blues Code of Conduct be signed by parents/guardians and players?

Yes, players will not be able to play for the Blues unless the Code of Conduct is signed by both players and a guardian/parent representative. Coaches will hand out the Code of Conduct to each player at the first training session.

14. What is the minimum cost to be a Blues player?

Annual Blues registration fees: U12-U21/YL	\$575 Upfront or a Payment Plan *Please note a \$100 fee will need to be paid prior to accept players position, this
	will be done via PlayHQ team registration link
<u>Weekly Game Team Sheets</u> (per player)	
To be paid to Team Manager	\$15-\$20 per game
Game Uniform (reversible singlet and shorts)	
Worn Friday nights and tournaments	\$125

15. How do I become a Team Manager for VJBL 2022/2023 season?

Please fill out the EOI Form online.

16. Where can I find out further information?

- <u>New Blues Parent Information Session</u> TBD
- <u>The Blues Handbook</u> & other relevant information please click <u>HERE</u>
- Email Bailey Roberts, Bailey.roberts@fdba.com.au

17. What is my role as a parent?

- To follow the Parents, Players and Spectators Code of conduct at all times.
- Support the Team Manager by paying fees on time
- Communicate illness or injury of players at the earliest possible convenience
- Support the season by scoring as you are allocated to do so.
- We want everyone to have an enjoyable time, and these are the key areas where you can best contribute to the success of your child's season.