

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Must a player register before attending tryouts?**

Yes. All players must register online at:

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=51880>

2. **Must players attend ALL tryout sessions?**

Yes. If a player is unable to attend a tryout session for any reason, please contact programs@frankstonbasketball.asn.au. All players must sign in at each venue.

Tryout Dates/Times: please allow sufficient time for sign-in.

For U12-U18 Boys and Girls go to:

<http://blues.fdba.com.au/2018/08/06/junior-blues-tryout-registrations-now-open/>

U21/ Youth League Women

7th October 3.30pm – 5.00pm at EMC, Langwarrin

14th October 3.30pm- 5.00pm at EMC Langwarrin

U21/Youth League Men

7th October 3.30pm – 5.00pm at Frankston Stadium, Seaford

14th October 3.30pm- 5.00pm at Frankston Stadium, Seaford

3. **Can Parents watch try-outs?**

Unfortunately not. Blues run a closed tryout session. Squads are allocated after try-outs and will be finalised into teams after the compulsory Frankston Junior Rep Preseason Tournament.

4. **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.

5. **Must Blues players play in tournaments?**

Yes, there are compulsory tournaments such as the *Frankston Junior Rep Preseason Tournament* (3-4th November) (all age groups), and the *National Junior Classic Tournament* (June, VC qualification criteria apply).

Entry into the non-compulsory tournaments is at the discretion of the coach. Please find below a list of non-compulsory tournaments that our Junior Blues Program have been known to participate in:

- Frankston Junior Rep Preseason Tournament (3-4th of November)
- Southern Pen Tournament (17-18th November)
- Eltham/Dandenong Tournament (26-28 January)
- Bendigo Tournament (26-28 January)
- Adelaide Classic (Easter)
- Ballarat Tournament (May/June)
- Nunawading Spectres Tournament (Queens Birthday weekend)
- Melbourne Tournament (July)

6. When does the VJBL 2018/2019 season start?

VJBL season games are played on a Friday night. There are 5 distinct phases in the 2018/2019 VJBL season:

- Pre-Grading Games (November 2018)
- Grading Phase 1 (November/December 2018)
- Grading Phase 2 (February/Mid-March 2019)
- VJBL Competition Games (Mid-March – August 2019)
- VJBL Finals (August –September 2019)

7. What about my uniform?

We have a new look uniform for our Blues Crew in 2018/19 costing \$125.00, with a reversible “Old style” and “New style” top and bottoms. Don't worry if you have an “Old” style uniform this transition will take place over the next few seasons. ALL teams will be expected to have the new uniform by 2020/21 season. To assist in transition of new branding, a great value player packs will contain socks, training singlet and warm up top in iAthletic “New” style at the cost of \$150.

8. Where are games played?

Fixtures depend on where teams end up being graded, but be advised that there will be some travel involved. All games are found on the VJBL website fixtures and results page at Vjbl.com.au.

9. 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 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.

Yes, all training is compulsory. Arrive 15 mins prior to training to foam roll and warm up.

Training starts on Sunday, 21st October 2018.

10. 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.

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

<u>Annual Blues registration fees:</u> u12-u21/YL	\$470 (payment plan option, 50% Nov.18 & Jan.19)
<u>Weekly Game Team Sheets</u> (per player)	\$10-\$15
<u>Game Uniform (reversible singlet and shorts)</u> (worn Friday nights and tournaments)	\$125
<u>New Player Pack</u> Training singlet/shorts, L/S Warmup Top, Socks, Drink Bottle, Barrel Bag	\$150

12. How/When do I order a Blues Game uniform and/or Player Pack?

Game Uniforms and New Player Packs can be ordered online via the Blues E-Shop on the Blues website, the ordering system will become available when the final teams have been announced.

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

13. How do I become a Team Manager for VJBL 2018/2019 season?

Expression of Interest forms will be available online after the finals teams have been selected.

14. Where can I find out further information?

- [New Blues Parent Information Session](#) – To be advised.
- [The Blues Player/Parent Handbook](#) and other relevant Blues information: [Online: blues.fdba.com.au/jnr-blues/](http://blues.fdba.com.au/jnr-blues/)
- Chat to anyone on the Blues Committee ☺

15. 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 and 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.