



# **BYLAWS**

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**CATHOLIC METRO LEAGUE OF ATLANTA**

**Catholic Metro Sports**





## **Article 1 - Name of Organization**

This organization shall be known as the Catholic Metro League of Atlanta, Inc. (CMLA)

## **Article 2 - Objective of the Organization: League Motto**

**Section 2.1 - Objective of the Organization:** The objective of the organization shall be the promotion of the Catholic education in Atlanta from a moral and Christian viewpoint through participation in a recreational basketball program that focuses on building character and skills by teaching virtues and the fundamentals of the game.

**Section 2.2 - League Motto:** "Build Character. Teach Fundamentals. Have Fun."

## **Article 3 - Philosophy of the Organization**

The philosophy of the organization is to provide an environment rich in sportsmanship and fair play where kids are taught virtues (especially courage, charity, and humility) and the fundamentals of the game and afforded the opportunity to play basketball in grades 3-8 free from tryouts or cuts. Ensuring that every child within the CMLA has a positive athletic experience is paramount to success.

We are participation-based recreational and semi-competitive league parallel to, but mutually exclusive from competitive middle school athletic programs. The CMLA is founded on the beliefs and teaching of the Holy Catholic Church, and the governance of the CMLA, as such, will benefit the interests of every child within its charge.

**3.1-Format for play:** The CMLA is divided into two separate level of play; Recreational play in Grades 3-4, and Semi-Competitive play in grades 5-8

**3.1.1- Grades 3-4:** Play in grades 3-4 is recreational and participation-based. Team records are kept but will be secondary in importance to instruction and providing a positive basketball environment and experience. Coaches are to provide equal game time for all players.

**3.1.2 - Grades 5-8:** Play in grades 5-8 is semi-competitive. Teams will begin to focus more on competing and winning while doing so in a positive basketball environment. Maintaining quality basketball instruction and the highest levels of sportsmanship and decorum in every grade level will enable our players to learn life lessons in success, failure, perseverance, team work, respect for authority, etc.





### **Article 3 - Membership**

**Section 4.1 - CMLA Member Parishes/Schools (each a “Member” and collectively the “Members”):** Christ the King (CTK); Holy Spirit Prep (HSP); Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM); Our Lady of the Assumption (OLA); St. Brigid/Holy Redeemer (BRG); St. John Neumann (SJN); St. Joseph (JOE); St. Jude (JUD); St. Peter Chanel/Queen of Angels (SPC); St. Thomas More (STM); St. Catherine of Siena (SCS); Notre Dame Academy (NDA); Pinecrest Academy (PIN); and Transfiguration (TRN)

**Section 4.2 - Determination of Member Schools:** The membership of the CMLA will consist of metro Atlanta area catholic churches/schools as voted on and approved by the Board.

**Section 4.3 - Application for Membership:** School/Parishes that wish to become a CMLA “Member” may apply for membership in writing to the Commissioner.

### **Article 5 - Governance**

**Section 5.1 - Board of Directors:** The CMLA shall be governed by a Board of Director (Board) comprised of one representative from each Member institution. Each Member institution must also have an alternate representative to assist in the completion of CMLA business in the absence of their Board representative. All corporate powers of the CMLA shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the CMLA managed under the direction of, its Board, subject to any limitation set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment among the Members of the CMLA.

Each Board representative shall hold office until the annual meeting of Members next held after his election and until his successor has been duly elected and has qualified, or until his earlier resignation, removal from office, or death. Board representatives shall be natural persons who are eighteen (18) years of age or older.

#### **5.1.1 - Board of Directors Code of Ethics**

1. Develops and maintains a comprehensive athletic program which seeks the highest development of all participants and which respects the individual dignity of every athlete.
2. Considers the well-being of the entire student body as fundamental in all decisions and actions.





3. Supports the principle of due process and protects the civil and human rights of all individuals.
4. Organizes, directs and promotes an interscholastic athletic program that is an integral part of the total education program.
5. Cooperates with the staff and school administration in establishing, implementing and supporting school policies.
6. Acts impartially in the execution of basic policies and in the enforcement of the conference, league, and state high school association rules and regulations.
7. Fulfills professional responsibilities with honesty and integrity.
8. Upholds the honor of the profession in all relations with students, colleagues, coaches, administrators and the general public.
9. Improves the professional status and effectiveness of the interscholastic athletic administrator through participation in local, state and national in-service.
10. Promotes high standard of ethics, sportsmanship, and personal conduct by encouraging administration, coaches, staff, student-athletes, and community to commit to these high standard.

### **5.1.2 - Officers**

#### **Section 1 - General.**

- A. The Board shall from time to time elect or appoint such officers as it shall deem necessary or appropriate to the management and operation of the CMLA , which officers shall hold their offices for such terms and shall be determined by the Board and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as are specified in these Bylaws or in resolution of the Board. Except as specifically otherwise provided in the Code, the Articles of Incorporation or in resolutions of the Board, the following requirements shall apply to election or appointment of officers.
- B. All officers of the CMLA shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, and in the absence of specification otherwise in a resolution of the Board, each officer shall be elected to serve until the succeeding next annual meeting of the Board and the election or appointment and qualification of his successor, subject to his earlier death, resignation or removal.





- C. The CMLA shall have, at a minimum, a Commissioner, Treasurer, Secretary and Web Master / Scheduler. At the discretion of the Board, a Deputy Commissioner may also be appointed.
- D. If so provided by resolution of the Board, any officer may be delegated the authority to appoint one (1) or more officers or assistant officers, which appointed officers or assistant officers shall have the duties and powers specified in the resolution of the Board.

**Section 2 - Compensation.** The compensation and any applicable stipends of the officers of the CMLA shall be fixed by the Board.

**Section 3 - Vacancies.** A vacancy in any office because of resignation, removal or death may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

**Section 4 - Commissioner.** The Commissioner shall have such title or titles designated by the Board and shall be the principal executive officer of the CMLA. Subject to the control of the Board, the Commissioner shall in general manage, supervise and control all the business and affairs of the CMLA. The Commissioner shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Board or meetings of the Members of the CMLA. The Commissioner may sign, individually or in conjunction with any other proper officer of the CMLA thereunto authorized by the Board, any policies or insurance, contracts, or other instruments which the Board has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by the Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the CMLA, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of the Commissioner of the CMLA and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.

**Section 5 - Deputy Commissioner.** The Deputy Commissioner assists the Commissioner in the execution of the CMLA business.

**Section 6 - Secretary.** The Secretary may be designated by any such title as determined by resolution of the Board. The Secretary will be responsible for Board meeting minutes and will act as Parliamentarian at Board meetings. Minutes from every meeting are to be distributed by the Secretary through email to all Board representatives no later than one week after the meeting.







**Section 7 - Treasurer.** The treasurer may be designated by resolution of the Board. The Treasurer will be responsible for all CMLA finances including a yearly budget and monthly financial statements. The fiscal year of the CMLA shall be established by the Board or, in the absence of Board action establishing such fiscal year, by the Commissioner. These documents are to be available at each Board meeting for review.

**Section 8 - Web Master/Scheduler.** The Web Master/Scheduler may be designated by any such title as determined by resolution of the Board. The web Master/Scheduler will be responsible for maintaining the CMLA website.

**5.2 - Meetings:** All meetings will be conducted by the Commissioner in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

**5.2.1 - Meeting Calendar:** Meeting dates will be established by the Board for each season in advance at the summer meeting. Meeting dates will be distributed to all Board representatives.

**5.2.2 Meeting Participation:** All Member school/parishes are required to have a representative in attendance at each Board meeting. If a Member school/parish fails to have a representative in attendance at two Board meetings during a CMLA fiscal year, such failure will result in a fine of \$1,000. Placed against such Member school/parish. This fee must be paid for such member school/parish to participate in CMLA play.

**5.2.3 Place of Meeting:** The Board may designate any place within or outside the State of Georgia as the place of meeting for any annual or special meeting of Members. A waiver of notice signed by all Members entitled to vote at a meeting may designate any place within or outside the State of Georgia as the place for the holding of such meeting. If no designations is made, or if a special meeting be otherwise called, the place of meeting shall be the principal office of the CMLA or other suitable place.

**5.2.4 Annual Meetings:** An annual meeting of the members shall be held each year at such time, date and place as the Board shall determine, at which time:





- A. the Commissioner and the Treasurer shall report on the activities and financial condition of the Corporation;
- B. the Board representative will be designated by the Members; and
- C. The Members shall consider and act on such matters as may be raised consistent with the notice requirements of the Georgia Non-Profit Corporate code(Code) and these Bylaws.

**5.2.5 - Special Meetings:** Except to the extent otherwise prescribed by statute or the Articles of Incorporation, special meetings of the Members, for any purpose or purposes, may be called by the Commissioner, by the presiding officer of the Board, if any. The Commissioner or the Secretary shall call a special meeting when requested in writing by Members having voting rights ) with respect to election of Board representatives) representing at least twenty-five percent (25%) of all the votes entitled to be cast by Members on such issue. Any such written request shall be signed and dated and shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting.

## **5.2.6 General Provisions regarding Notices of Meeting**

**5.2.6.1 Notices.** Except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws, or as otherwise required by applicable law:

- a) Any notice required by these Bylaws or by law shall be in writing or via electronic transmission unless oral notice is reasonable under the circumstances.
- b) Notice may be communicated in person, by electronic transmission or by mail or private carrier. If these forms of personal notice are impracticable, notice may be communicated by a newspaper of general circulation in the area where published, or by radio, television, or other form of public broadcast communication.
- c) Written notice to the CMLA may be addressed to its registered agent at its registered office or to the CMLA or its Commissioner at its principal office shown in its most recent annual registration with the Secretary of State.





- c) Written notice, if in a comprehensible form, is effective at the earliest of the following:
  - i. When received or when delivered, properly addressed, to the addressee's last known principal place of business or residence.
  - ii. Three (3) days after its deposit in the mail, as evidence by the postmark, if mailed with first-class postage prepaid and correctly addressed; or
  - iii. On the date shown on the return receipt, if sent by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, and the receipt is signed by or on behalf of the addressee.
- e) Oral notice is effective when communicated in a comprehensible manner.

**5.2.6.2 Waiver of Notice.** Except as otherwise provided or required by the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or applicable law:

- a) A member may waive any notice required to be given to such Member, before or after the date and time stated in the notice. The waiver must be delivered to the CMLA for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the CMLA's corporate records.
- b) A Member's attendance at a meeting:
  - i. Waives objection to lack of notice or defective notice of the meeting, unless the Member at the beginning of the meeting objects to holding the meeting or transaction business at the meeting; and







- ii. Waives objection to consideration of a particular matter at the meeting that is not within the purpose or purposes described in the meeting notice, unless the Member objects to considering the matter when is presented.
- c) Neither the business transacted nor the purpose of the meeting need be specified in the waiver.
- d) A Board representative may waive any notice required to be given to such Board representative by applicable law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws before or after the date and time stated in the notice. Except as provided by subsection (e) of this Section, the waiver must be in writing, signed by the Board representative entitled to the notice, and delivered to the CMLA for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the CMLA's corporate records.
- e) A Board representative's attendance at or participation in a meeting waives any required notice to the Board representative of the meeting unless the Board representative at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon his arrival) objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting.

### Section 5.3 - Voting and Amendments:

**5.3.1 - Quorum:** A quorum for a Board meeting requires the presence of Board representatives capable of casting more than half of the possible votes of Members. If enough Board representatives are not present to constitute a quorum, the Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner, Treasurer and Secretary may cast votes that would otherwise be cast by absent Board representatives in order that CMLA business may be conducted.

**5.3.2 - Amendments:** Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or the Code, the following matters shall be submitted to a vote by the Members for approval or disapproval, and approval of such matters will required a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority of the total possible votes:





- a) election of Board representatives (including determination of the number of Board representatives);
- b) amendment of the Articles of Incorporation;
- c) amendment of any provision of these Bylaws;
- d) merger or consolidation of the CMLA with or into any corporation;
- e) dissolution of the CMLA;
- f) admission of a new Member;
- g) any such other matter as is required by the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws to be submitted to a vote of the Members; and
- h) any such other matters as the Board may, in its discretion, place before the Members for a vote.

**5.3.3 - General Business:** Any matters before the Board (except as set forth in **Section 5.3.2**) required only a majority of the votes present at a Board meeting. Each participating Member is entitled to one vote on all matters. For clarification, except as set forth in Section 5.3.1, officers are not entitled to vote on matters before the Board in their capacity as officers; only participating Members are entitled to one vote on all matters before the Board.

#### **5.4 Actions Taken Without a Meeting.**

**5.4.1** Unless the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws of the Code require a greater number of affirmative votes, any action required or permitted to be approved by the Members may be approved without a meeting of Members if the action is approved by Board representatives holding at least a majority of the voting power. The action must be evidenced by one or more written consents describing the action taken, signed by Board representatives representing at least a majority of the voting power, and delivered to the CMLA for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate records.





**5.4.2** If not otherwise determined under Code Section 14-3-703 or Code 14-3-707, the record date for determining Members entitled to take actions without a meeting is the date the first Member signs the consent.

**5.4.3** A consent signed under this Section has the effect of a vote at a meeting of Members and may be described as such in any document.

**5.4.4** Written notice of Member approval pursuant to this Section shall be given to all Members who have not signed the written consent. If written notice is required, Member approval pursuant and this Section shall be effective ten (10) days after such written notice is given.

**Section 5.5 - CMLA Fees:** The fee Deposit and the total amount of fees per team are determined by the Board, Team Fees are based on the projected expenses for the number of teams entered in the CMLA for the applicable season. Team fees will be utilized to pay officials, to purchase CMLA tournament trophies, and to pay other CMLA expenses.

**5.5.1 - Fee Payments:** Each Member must submit payment in full for all teams entered for the applicable CMLA season to the Treasurer no later than a date to be determined by the Board. Checks are to be made out to **Catholic Metro League of Atlanta**. Any expenses incurred by the CMLA that are not covered by the Team Fees will be billed to each Member and must be paid upon receipt of the bill. Team Fees will be determined by the Board.

**Section 5.6 -Game Scheduling:** Each Member must report its number of teams per division, gym availability (dates and times), and conflicts for any team no later than a date to be determined by the Board.

**5.6.1 - Gym Hours:** All members must allocate one (1) hour of gym time every weekend for every two (2) teams playing by CMLA.

**5.6.2 - Penalty for non-compliance of Gym Hours:** Member programs that are not compliant will be charged \$20/game that they are short. Member programs hosting more than their required number of games will be awarded \$50/game.

**5.6.3 - Distribution:** Schedules will be distributed to each Board representative prior to the meeting for the review of the schedule, and any errors or revisions are to be dealt with at this time. After the schedule has been reviewed and approved by the Commissioner, it is considered a finished document. It will be published to Members no later than one week prior to the first Saturday of the season.





**5.6.4 - Postponements/Rescheduling:** The only reason for the postponement or rescheduling of games will be severe weather conditions, the loss of gym time, or an error by the CMLA. In the event of inclement weather a decision will be made by the Commissioner and communicated at the earliest appropriate time. All game changes must be communicated before they are considered final.

## **Article 6 - CMLA Structure**

**Section 6.1 - Divisions of the Play:** Play will be divided at each grade level in grades 3-8. All divisions will be gender specific with separate boys' and girls' teams.

### **Section 6.2 - CMLA Calendar**

**6.2.1 - Date of First Practices:** Teams may begin practicing on a date to be determined by the Board.

**6.2.2 Regular Season Dates:** Regular season dates for CMLA season will be determined by the Board.

**6.2.3 End of the Season Tournament Dates:** End of the season tournament dates for each CMLA season will be determined by the Board.

### **Section 6.3 - Practices and Games**

**6.3.1 - Number of practices per week:** Teams are allowed two practices maximum and not more than 2 hours per week.

**6.3.2 - Regular season games:** Games are played on Saturday's starting no earlier than 8:00AM and will be scheduled on the hour as necessary with the last game scheduled to start no later than 8:00PM. Sunday's will be used for overflow games only starting no earlier than 1:00PM. Teams will play a minimum 10-game schedule which may or may not include a bye game.

**6.3.3 - Basket Requirements:** Any gym wishing to host 3rd & 4th grade games must have adjustable goals (to 9ft) or must arrange play at a gym that can accommodate the lower goals.





**Section 6.4 - CMLA Standings:** It will be the responsibility of each Member to update the CMLA standings after each week of play. Each host gym should have the game results entered on the CMLA website no later than Tuesday morning of each week.

**6.4.1 Unequal Number of Games:** In the event teams have a unequal number of games played due to CMLA scheduling and both (or multiple) teams are undefeated, all teams involved will share the regular season title.

**Section 6.5 - Tournaments:** All teams entered in the Middle School Divisions (grades 5, 6, 7, 8) are eligible to participate in the end of the season single elimination tournament. Tournament play for these divisions will be seeded and feature play-in-games lowest seeds whenever possible.

**6.5.1 - Tournament sites and games times:** Host gyms for end of season tournaments will be established before the start of the regular season. Gyms hosting more than three games in a day will schedule every 75 minutes. Gyms hosting three games or less will schedule every 60 minutes.

**6.5.2 - Tournament Seeding & Regular Season Final Standings:** Teams will be seeded for tournament play based on their regular season won-loss record. Teams who are tied at the end of the regular season will use the following tiebreaker:

1. Head to Head record
2. Head to Head point differential (if more than 2 teams)
3. Common Opponent(s) record
4. Common Opponent(s) point -differential
5. Season point differential (15 points or 12 point max. Per game depending on grade)
6. Coin Flip, or if more than two teams draw names out of a hat





## **Article 7 - Facility Management**

CMLA gyms will be open a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the first game of the day. Each gym is responsible for providing a Gym Supervisor to oversee the operations of the day and to ensure a safe environment for play. Each gym must have their copy of the Rules & Policies Manual at the scorer's table for every game.

### **Section 7.1 - Game Management & Rules of Play**

#### **7.1.1 - Pre-Game**

- a) Scorekeepers - The host gymnasium will staff the scorer's table with a minimum of the two people and is responsible for the score book, clock operation and substitution tracking. Failure to do so will result in the home team losing a gym credit for the game.
- b) Basketballs - The home team is responsible for providing at least two basketballs of appropriate size to the visiting team for warm-ups.
- c) Lineups - Coaches are to turn in their CMLA Roster sheet to the scorer's table no later than 5-minutes prior to tip-off.
- d) Gym Supervisor - Will assist the Game Officials in verifying that each player is properly equipped and that all rings, earring, jewelry, hair clips, etc, have been removed.
- e) Prayer - Each game will be proceed by a group prayer, to include all players, coaches, and officials at center court, and will be led by the home team or gym supervisor.
- f) Defensive Match Up's - Within the Recreational Division both teams will match up their starting five a the center circle immediately after the prayer and at each substitution point.

#### **7.1.2 - During the Game**

- a) Crowd Management - The Gym Supervisor is responsible for ensuring a safe, Christian environment for play. Poor crowd management, especially in some pf the smaller gyms, can create safety issues for players on the floor.
- b) First Aid- Ice, towels, and a basic First Aid Kit should be readily accessible and kept as close to the gym floor as possible.







### 7.1.3 - Post the Game

- a) Transition - Staying on time can be accomplished by smoothly transitioning from one game to the next. A protocol for accomplishing this in each gym should be created and followed.

**7.1.4 - Medical Plan:** Each host gym must create a medical plan that covers injuries to players or medical emergencies to anyone in attendance

**Section 7.2 - Forfeits:** Forfeits will be scored as 12-0 for 3rd & 4th grade and 15-0 for 5th - 5th to 8th grade.

**7.2.1 Pre-game forfeit:** If any head of basketball operations (Director, AD, etc) at one parish/school contacts the equivalent at another parish/school and declares that a team will be forfeiting a game, that game will automatically be declared a forfeit. The forfeit must be followed up with an email and the commissioner must be copied. Contact must be between heads up programs and not involve coaches directly. There is NO REQUIREMENT for declaration of forfeits ahead of time. This option is at the discretion of the program director.

## Article 8 - Eligibility

**Section 8.1 - CMLA Eligibility:** In order for a player to participate in the CMLA he/she must be a student at a Member school or a parishioner of a Member church for the team that he/she is playing for. If the applicant attends one Member school and belongs to another Member parish, that applicant may choose which of the two organizations he/she wishes to play for. Any exceptions must be approved by the Commissioner.

**8.1.1 - Select Players:** Students who are members of travel or select teams are eligible to play in the CMLA. Middle school or AAU teams that are competitive in format qualify as travel or select.

**Section 8.2 - Age Requirements:** Play in the CMLA is for students/parishioners between the age of 7-14. All players must be in the specific grade or lower and within the correct age range for their grade. The control date for the CMLA is September 1st immediately preceding the basketball season.





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Players who do not turn seven (7) prior to September 1st or players who turn 15 before September 1st are not eligible. Maximum age per grade level is as follows:

3rd grade: A player must have not reached their 10th birthday prior to September 1st

4th grade: A player must have not reached their 11th birthday prior to September 1st

5th grade: A player must have not reached their 12th birthday prior to September 1st

6th grade: A player must have not reached their 13th birthday prior to September 1st

7th grade: A player must have not reached their 14th birthday prior to September 1st

8th grade: A player must have not reached their 15th birthday prior to September 1st

**Section 8.3 - Illegal Players:** Any player who is not compliant with sections 8.1, 8.1.1, or 8.2 are considered illegal. Players are allowed to play for one team only during a season. Once a player has participated in a game they are committed to that team for the remainder of the regular season and tournament play.

**Section 8.4 - Challenge of Eligibility:** The only protest permitted is eligibility. The procedure for a protest will be a telephone call to the Commissioner, from the Parish Athletic Director only. A protest should be made as soon as possible after the game in which the alleged infringement occurred. A protest can be made at anytime during the season or during a tournament. In the event a player's age is challenged, a birth certificate must be produced as proof of age and provided to the commissioner. If the challenge is upheld all games in which such player participated will be forfeit and the player will be removed from the roster.

## Article 9 - Team Creation

**Section 9.1 - Registration:** Members will conduct a registration that is open to both parish members and students of their school, if applicable. Members are expected to create rosters that maximise the number of children participating from their institution without any tryouts or cuts.

**Section 9.2 - Balanced Teams:** In the event that a parish has more than one team in any given grade level, the CMLA Draft Procedure, as determined by the Board, is to be followed in an attempt to create parity among teams. Should the Board find that any team has not been divided accordingly to the guidelines set forth by the CMLA, those teams will not be allowed to participate in the CMLA Tournament and all games will be considered forfeit.





**9.2.1 - Multiple Teams:** When a parish has more than one team in any given grade level a draft will be conducted to determine team rosters. Practices will be conducted with all players present to determine each child's skill level. (evaluation scores are not to be shared outside the coaches conducting the draft) Practices should involve stations and full court games to help the evaluation process whenever possible. Every effort should be made to balance teams equally, and all coaches are to be present at the pre-draft practices to ensure correct skill evaluation.

Only the sons/daughters of the Head Coaches are protected in the draft. This is done to ensure any team from having an unfair number of protected players. Players will not be placed on teams for any personal reasons such as carpooling or previous team relationships. Drafts will be conducted under the supervision of those schools CMLA Board Member or alternate to ensure the sanctity of the process. Only the Head Coaches will be involved in the drafting of the players.

**9.2.2 Draft Procedure:** Players names should be listed in order of skill level prior to beginning the draft. Next, coaches' sons/daughters replaced on their parent's team, and their draft number is factored in. Coaches will not be allowed to draft another player at the point in the draft where their child's draft number falls. For example, if coaches son/daughter is the the best player in the draft, their child will count as their first draft pick. Also, if coaches' son/daughter is the ninth best player in the draft, their child will count as their draft pick in whatever round the ninth pick would have been chosen.

### **9.2.3 - Order of Selections**

- a. Two Teams - Coach A will have the first selection in the draft followed by Coach B who will then make two selections from the list of available players. Coach A and Coach B will alternate choosing two players at a time from the list of available players until all players have been selected.  
Coach A - 1,4,5,8,9,12,13,16,17,20  
Coach B - 2,3,6,7,10,11,14,15,18,19
- b. Three Teams - Coach A will have first selection in the draft followed by Coach B who will have the second. Coach C will have the third and fourth selections. Coach B will then have the fifth pick followed by Coach A who will have the sixth and seventh picks. Coach C will then have the eighth and ninth picks. This will continue (B,A,C) with each coach selecting two players until all players have been chosen.





Coach A - 1,6,7,12,13,18,19,24,25,30  
Coach B - 2,5,10,11,16,17,22,23,28,29  
Coach C - 3,4,8,9,14,15,20,21,26,27

**Section 9.3 - Team Sizes:** Rosters should be created in a range with a minimum of eight (8) players and a maximum of thirteen (13) players. Member Parishes/Schools are expected to build teams of an appropriate size in accordance with the number of gym hours they have available. For example, a school that is not compliant with **Bylaw 5. 6.1 - Gym Hours** who has forty players in an age group will be expected to build for teams of ten instead of five teams of eight. Exceptions to the eight player minimum may be granted by the Commissioner in cases where children would not otherwise be able to participate.

**Section 9.4 - Team Roster:** Players cannot be added to a team's roster after the parish/school submits its final rosters to the league commissioner per the submission date noted on the CMLA calendar (exception 9.4.1). In the event a roster has not been submitted by the required date all games played prior to the actual submission of the roster will be forfeited by the team. The commissioner will notify teams not in accordance prior to impending forfeiture.

**9.4.1 - Transient families/New Parish Members:** Students/Families who move into the area and join a parish or transfer into a Member school after the season has begun may be added as a player with approval from the Commissioner. Players who move or change parishes in the Atlanta Archdiocese during the season may not join a team within their new parish (section 8.3) unless they had not played on a team previously in the same season.

**9.4.2 Notification of New Players:** if the Commissioner allows a player to join the CMLA after the start of the season per (section 9.4.1) the commissioner will notify all Board members of the addition. It will be responsibility of the individual school/parishes to update their records.

## **Article 10 - Insurance**

The Members may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual who is a director, officer, employee, or agent of the CMLA or who, while a director, officer, employee or agent of the CMLA, against liability asserted against or incurred by him in that capacity or arising from his status as a director, officer, employee or agent, whether or not the CMLA would have power to indemnify or advance expenses to the individual against the same liability under the Articles or these Bylaws.

