



Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave

2026 RAVE BASKETBALL INFORMATION

Due to Minnesota hosting the Special Olympics 2026 USA Summer Games from June 20-26, 2026, there will be changes to the normal basketball schedule. Read this information carefully to be aware of how some dates or events may have changed.

The 2026 basketball season will be starting in February rather than March as it did last year. This is before poly hockey ends and is also when school gym space is harder to find.

PRACTICES

Practices will be primarily on Monday evenings. Basketball will have two session times, with a short time in between to get all the teams together and share announcements.

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	Practice for half court teams
7:10-7:15 p.m.	Team announcements for all teams.
7:10-8:30 p.m.	Practice for full court teams

Practice location is Valley Middle School, 900 Garden View Drive, Apple Valley, **and/or** at Southview Elementary School, 1025 Whitney Drive, Apple Valley. The two schools are connected to one another. [Click here for map.](#)

Athletes are asked on the registration form to provide what they would like to be involved in: Full court, half court, or skills.

COMPETITION

Regional competition: Sunday, April 12, at Prior Lake High School, 7575 150th St. W., Savage, MN 55378. Half court teams will be done after the regional tournament. Full court may or may not be done.

Possible Invitational tournament: Saturday, June 13, in Farmington for full court teams only.

State competition: No state competition due to USA Games.

REGISTRATION

Registration is closed.

QUESTIONS

Contact Head Coach Kristen Haines and/or HOD Louise Anderson at ravehod@gmail.com.

2026 RAVE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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Date	Time	Location	Comments
Monday, February 2	6:30 – 8:00 p.m.	Southview Elementary	New athletes only
Monday February 9	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	Start of the season. All athletes.
Monday, February 16			No practice – President’s Day
Monday, February 23	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	All athletes.
Monday, March 2	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	All athletes.
Monday, March 9*	6:15-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Southview Elementary	Two half court teams in first session; one full court in second session.
Wednesday, March 11*	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	Two half court teams in first session; one full court in second session.
Monday, March 16*	6:15-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Southview Elementary	Two half court teams in first session; one full court in second session.
Wed., March 18*	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	Two half court teams in first session; one full court in second session.
Week of March 23 - 27			No practice – Spring break
Monday, March 30	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	All athletes.
Monday, April 6	6:00-7:15 Half court 7:10 – 8:30 Full court	Valley Middle School	All athletes.

*Half of the teams will practice on Monday, March 9 and 16, and half will practice on Wednesday, March 11 and 18. We were only able to get one gym on each of these nights.