

**One Goal Sports Basketball
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**Do you have any suggestions One
Goal Sports may consider for**

One Goal Reply to each question below:

Response Text

Keep doing what you are doing!

Thanks for your input!

No. It was wonderful.

Thanks for your input!

Train the refs better and pay them at
least a little bit

Training is very important. If you have any
additional concrete suggestions, please let us
know. We are always seeking ways to
improve. Thanks for your input!

<p>If there is any way it could cost less. I understand that you have to pay for the Rec Center, but the Rec league only charges \$40. We don't need a celebration, trophy and/or pictures every season.</p>	<p>You've raised a legitimate concern. Basketball registration is higher due to additional seasonal expenses incurred. We are a non-profit organization which translates to mean that we don't receive additional grants or scholarships from city charities. Our understanding is that the Rec fees are low because other local charities donate money to reduce registration fees. We believe the value associated in participating in One Goal Sports is balanced with the fees given the Christ-centered approach One Goal emphasizes. We realize that not everyone may need or want trophy/pictures but by in large, many expect and are thrilled with such awards. Thanks for your input!</p>
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<p>No, they did a really good job!</p>	<p>Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>no</p>	
<p>no</p>	
<p>none at this time</p>	
<p>Offer more baseball opportunities for older kids in the summer</p>	<p>Great thought. We are limited (time-wise) given we offer sports and clinics year-round. Our so called off-season is greatly welcomed by all staff members. Space is another issue that must be addressed when considering adding another sport. If we can logistically figure out a way to make it happen, we will. Thanks for your input!</p>

our team was always the loser, the other coaches allowed their players to run the game, should have been more passing and teamwork on their part, not same person scoring over & over...opposing team player "bullied" my child and was not penalized...more equal playing time in all positions, my child and others played same position/spot most games...a good player can be confident in any position

So many suggestions. Thanks! We guess that your child played in the older age bracket given you mentioned that they always lost. What defines "losing" Success is measured by improvement. We hope that your child and everyone else improved on a weekly basis regardless of the score. We are diligently trying to reshape the warped notion that score dictates success. Does a team win if they come out on top? Yes. But I've seen many players on winning teams that did not succeed or improve. Bullying is not something One Goal approves of. We will continue to work with our referees and coaches to make sure they are sensitively watching what's taking place on the court. Equal playing time in all positions is not the best thing in basketball. The smallest player on the court can be a good player but that does not mean he or she needs to play a post (down low) position. That spot is reserved for taller and sometimes stronger players.

Coaches should try to maximize the strengths of all the players all the while improving on every players weaker areas. Thanks for your input!

<p>I wish the price was a little lower. We have two children and it was hard for us to come up with the money.</p>	<p>This is the same answer from above. You've raised a legitimate concern. Basketball registration is higher due to additional seasonal expenses incurred. We are a non-profit organization which translates to mean that we don't receive additional grants or scholarships from city charities. Our understanding is that the Rec fees are low because other local charities donate money to reduce registration fees. We believe the value associated in participating in One Goal Sports is balanced with the fees given the Christ-centered approach One Goal emphasizes. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>No.</p>	
<p>better communication</p>	<p>Communication is essential to create a successful learning environment. Without concrete examples, we cannot address specific concerns to your topic. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>Great program</p>	<p>Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>working well for us</p>	<p>Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>None</p>	

<p>Kids names being announced before games would be nice and group Prayer time for EVERYONE would be great as well prior to the games. There seemed to be lots of confusion and disorganization this past year. We have always enjoyed One Goal and would participate again, it's a wonderful ministry.</p>	<p>We really enjoy announcing kids names before the games and community prayer but ran into a problem this season. We added an additional court without thinking through all the possible conflicts that might arise from such a decision. We apologize for removing this valuable part of the program during basketball. We're glad you will continue to participate but it will help us if you elaborate on some of the areas of disorganization you experienced this season. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>Get it together people!</p>	<p>It's one thing to say "Get it together people!" and not elaborate and another thing to say the same thing and offer specifics with possible solutions. There's an old slogan that says, "if you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem." You have not offered a reasonable suggestion for improving the overall quality of the ministry. Feel free to email One Goal and offer concrete details and possible solutions in order to help us better get it together. One Goal wants this to be a meaningful experience for everyone. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>The Keatings were amazing coaches</p>	<p>Thanks for your input!</p>

<p>Make sure coaches coach the boys to share the ball even when you have a couple of really good players.</p>	<p>You've noticed a great challenge for most coaches. Teamwork and sharing is a difficult element of the game to teach in all age brackets, especially 6-7 yr olds. It's important for coaches to notice selfish play and improve teamwork. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>Coaches should not be allowed to tell the officials how to make calls. On our first game, the coach from the other team was constantly right up on every situation saying things like "double team - double team" so the official would blow the whistle. I think they would have done their job appropriately without him yelling. Seriously, he needed to chill out. It was the first game and many of these children had never played before. I do not recall which team he coached, but it was our very first game.</p>	<p>We encourage our coaches to refrain from excessively trying to help the referees. We agree, some coaches should concentrate more on their team and teaching through adversity than giving the referees and earful. Many of our referees are young and need some help, but too much will and can create intimidating situations and set a not so positive example. Thanks for your input!</p>
<p>none</p>	
<p>Keep up the good work!!</p>	<p>Thanks for your input!</p>

The coaches should have a way that they teach children to play. We could see various coaching techniques and styles that were more drill like. We did think that was good for this age group. More direct instruction is always good.

We agree with you. Every coach teaches differently. One Goal does not have a set format for coaches to implement. We are struggling to totally make sense of your suggestion. In other words, did you like your coach's style? Or did you see other coaches teaching in a way that you saw as more productive for basketball development that your coach should have done? Thanks for your input!

More focus should be on fair play and Christian behavior. Far too often, teams are not divided evenly. My suggestion would be to have an overall talent evaluation of each participant, before teams are divided. Then, the teams might be more evenly distributed. The best season that we have experienced (in soccer), was the season where every game was competitive. One season out of five is not enough. You are not doing something right.

There is much thought, time, and planning when it comes to team development. Many hours are spent analyzing "parent's" assessment of their child(ren). Teams are created based on height, weight, age ability, and experience (we must also take into account practice availability from the parents). On paper the teams are balanced to the best of One Goal's ability. We realize it's not a perfect system. We are planning to have a "player evaluation day" before teams are built next season. This will remove parent bias.

Without fail, every season and in every age bracket, there's always one or two teams that are viewed as the strongest, teams that are viewed as the weakest, and teams that are in the middle. Thanks for your input!

Need to get better seating for the spectators at MTSU for the half courts with the youger kids. There was no seating for anyone at one of the courts at every game this season. Last year there was a bleacher at each half court. This year both bleachers were on only one half court and the other had nothing. Also, why not keep score? Maybe at least 8 and up?

We regret to hear of your less than rewarding experience with One Goal Sports. Seating is very important and if it was an issue from the beginning, it would have been nice to have been made aware of how it affected you and others much earlier. The earlier we find out such things, the quicker they can be resolved. We added an extra court this season that we didn't occupy last season. We learned that this was not the best decision and we will not do this again next year. If there were other reasons beyond the seating issue that led to an incompetent view of One Goal, we welcome additional feedback. With any additional feedback, we also encourage possible solutions to remedy the issues. Regarding score, that's a touchy subject. We're trying to slowly integrate that aspect. In order for this to happen and prove successful,

parents and coaches must understand that score does not determine success. Success is measured in player development. We've answered a couple score questions. Please look through the tabs for a more thorough explanantion. You'll usually find that the longest answers pertain to some aspect of score keeping. Thanks for your input!

No.	
Keep up the good work. Thanks for what you do!	Thanks for your input!
Keep up the great work.	Thanks for your input!
no	
not any	
I think it is fine the way it is.	Thanks for your input!
Good Year!!	Thanks for your input!
No	
no	
great leaugue!	Thanks for your input!
Not at this time.	
Not at the moment	

would it be possible to have full court practice in this age group... may once or twice?	Excellent suggestion. Court space and facility availability is our biggest road block. We'll consider again how we can make this happen. Thanks for your input!
none	
I really feel like they should keep score. It helps them to strive better when they lose and to teach them to be better sports when they lose or win. And when they win, it's a great accomplishment.	Please see above explanation of score keeping. For more information: see other green highlighted boxes Thanks for your input!
Consider fostering a more competitive environment that is still anchored in the teachings of Jesus Christ.	We are always seeking to improve the One Goal Sports' ministry. Please further explain what competitive aspects you desire to see. Feel free to email your thoughts to One Goal Sports. Thanks for your input!
No	
It looks like you are going to do it. I think having a skills test before the season is a good idea to make teams more even.	We do to. Finding the time between seasons to accomplish such a task is One Goal's biggest challenge. Thanks for your input!
n/a	
Maybe not include trophies or fun days so that it can be more affordable.	We understand your position. Please see above orange highlighted box for a more thorough explanation. Thanks for your input!

We would love for the program to include teens. 2 of our children that have played finally got to the point of really knowing the game and then they were too old to play the next season. We would love to have teams through age 16!!!	We've considered increasing the age limit. It's not etched in stone. If we can logistically make it happen, you might see this change starting in winter basketball. Please continue checking the website for any updates. Thanks for your input!
I think the program is perfect just as it is!	Thanks for your input!
no	
great program!	Thanks for your input!
No suggestions.	
no	
Great experience for kids to come together and learn about sports in addition to have the coach model the kind of behavior that is godly and affirming.	Great testimony. We're glad you've experienced the love of Jesus through sports here at One Goal. Thanks for your input!
A little more practice time. I know it is hard to find the time, but twice a week would help the kids learn more.	For the majority of the families involved in One Goal, a big plus to our ministry is that we do not require multiple practice nights. Families have so much on their plates and that would only add more. Thanks for your input!
I like that you're going to keep the skill level more even across the teams.	Balancing teams is very important and One Goal will continually try to balance to the best of its ability. Thanks for your input!
none	
13+ teams	
No	