



Dear SCL Members,

Congratulations to this year's District Champions and Runners-Up!

As we approach the **SCL Basketball Tournament on Thursday and Friday, February 19-20, 2026**, please review the following reminders to ensure a smooth and successful event.

Before the tournament, all participating schools must submit:

- **Team roster and Team photo** showing each player in uniform
- **Signed acknowledgment form** (copy of this form)
- **Tournament Fee: \$100 per team**, payable by check, cash, debit, or credit card. Checks should be made payable to the Sunshine Christian League (SCL). (May bring day of game)

Sportsmanship Expectations

Coaches are responsible for ensuring their players and fans display **Christlike sportsmanship** throughout the tournament. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. While fans are encouraged to cheer for their team, they **must not** cheer against opposing teams. There is to be NO stomping of bleachers at any time even if you are cheering for your team. Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- Making noise of any kind during free throws (including the use of noise makers and cowbells or similar items).
- Verbal derogatory remarks directed at opposing fans, players, coaches, or officials.
- Profanity, striking or threatening anyone, physical contact with an opponent which is beyond the normal scope of competition, spitting on anyone or any other actions deemed unsportsmanlike by SCL directors.

Any individuals violating these rules will be **ejected from both gyms for the remainder of the tournament**. The SCL directors of this event shall have the authority to deny further participation to a team or individuals that are deemed to be acting in an unsportsmanlike way. As a Christian school basketball tournament, we expect coaches to model **self-control and Christlike character**, setting a positive, godly example for their players, parents, and fans.

Uniform and Dress Code Requirements (summarized from the SCL handbook)

Please Note: Team Coaches and Athletic Directors, it is your responsibility to ensure your players adhere to these guidelines before arriving to avoid disqualification. Please address any concerns before tournament day rather than waiting for SCL Directors to intervene.

The uniform and grooming standards were agreed upon by all participating SCL schools during league meetings and apply year-round, not just during tournaments.

Player Attire:

- All players must wear T-shirts underneath their uniforms in the predominant uniform color. Exception: This is not required if jerseys are T-shirts with standard sleeves. Players without appropriate undershirts will be **disqualified from the tournament**.
- Players' shorts must come to no higher than **one inch above the top of the knee**.
- Players may wear spandex/compression under uniforms as long as it matches team colors or is solid white or black.
- **Girls' Hair Standards:** Dyed or colored hair must be a natural color.
- **Boys' Hair Standards:** Male players and coaches must have hair no longer than **3 inches from the scalp** as styled. Dyed or colored hair must be a natural color. Any player or coach whose hair exceeds this requirement will be **disqualified from the tournament**. No facial hair is permitted on players. Male coaches/support staff may wear neatly trimmed mustaches and/or beards.

Standards and Enforcement:

- Coaches are responsible for ensuring their players meet these standards before arriving at the tournament. However, SCL directors reserve the right to inspect team uniforms or hair at any point to verify compliance and may remove players from game play until compliance is met.
- Two male SCL directors will inspect boys' teams and two female SCL directors will inspect girls' teams before the start of their first-round game.
- Any player whose uniform or hair does not meet the agreed-upon SCL standards will be disqualified from the tournament.

Tournament Schedule Overview

>> Brackets will be updated on the league website: <https://sunshinechristianleague.org/>

Special Events

The All-Conference Player Awards, Boys' 3-Point Contest, and Girls' Free-Throw Contest will take place on **Thursday at 2:00 PM in the Coliseum**.

Day One – Thursday All Day Games Starting at 10:00am

- Boys — Douglass Center
- Girls — Coliseum

Day One Note:

All games are double elimination, meaning a team must lose twice before they are out of the tournament. Games run throughout the day with the last games tipping off at **6:00pm**.

Day Two – Friday Schedule

Morning Games

- Boys — Douglass Center | 8:00am–11:00am
- Girls — Coliseum | Starting 8:00am

Afternoon Games — All in the Coliseum

- Girls' Semifinal — 1:00pm
- Boys' Semifinal — 2:00pm
- Girls' Championship — 3:30pm
- Boys' Championship — 5:00pm

 *Trophy presentations will follow each championship game.*

Day Two Note:
After the morning games wrap up in the Douglass Center Gym, all remaining games move to the Coliseum. The afternoon opens with the semifinal rounds, where the top teams from each bracket compete for a spot in the championship.

Thank you for your cooperation and preparation in advance. Your efforts will help ensure a smooth, well-organized, and Christ-honoring tournament.

We look forward to a great event!

Sincerely,

Sunshine Christian League

School Representative Acknowledgment

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the SCL tournament standards for players and fans. I confirm that all players and coaches from our school meet the agreed-upon uniform and grooming requirements before arriving at the tournament.

School Name: _____

Representative Name (print): _____

Representative Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____