

## Welcome to all basketball teams!

We are excited to have you join us for the 2019 State Games of America!

### Team Check-In

**ALL teams MUST check in on Friday, August 2nd between 8am – 6pm at the LaHaye Student Center in the LaHaye Event Space** on the campus of Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA.

A Coach or a team representative MUST check in with the required documentation on this date in order to be able to participate in the 2019 State Games of America, the team is not required to be present for this.

### Updating your roster

We ask that you please have your updated roster to us by Wednesday, July 31st at 5pm, so that we can prepare the team packets ahead of time and speed up your check-in process (however your final roster is expected at check-in if you have not turned it in - your online roster is **NOT** considered your final roster).

Please email Charity Waldron ([cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org)) or Operations Staff ([info@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:info@commonwealthgames.org)) with roster updates (an updated roster form preferred).

**Signed waivers** (the form can be found on the [basketball page](#) - every player & parent-if under 18- MUST sign) - please put the team name at the top of the waiver form(s)!

You have 2 options to get these to us:

1. Fill out waiver form, scan & email to Charity Waldron at [cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org](mailto:cwaldron@commonwealthgames.org) - please put the team name at the top of the waiver form(s)!
2. Fill out waiver form and bring to team check in on Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> between 8am – 6pm at the LaHaye Event Space.

**\*\*Teams WILL NOT be allowed to play without the completed waivers for each member of the team. Waivers can be printed from the basketball page of the website at [stategamesofamerica.com/basketball2019](http://stategamesofamerica.com/basketball2019)**

### REQUIRED Documents

- Birth Certificates and Report Cards for each player (have to have at check in because they will be checked against your roster for verification)
- Signed Waivers
- Final Team Roster

Gyms will open one hour prior to first game time. **PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A UNIFORM ON. COACHES WILL NOT BE ADMITTED WITHOUT WEARING THEIR YELLOW WRISTBAND.**

### Tailgate Party

Friday, August 2 from 4-6:30pm at the Indoor Practice Facility – Liberty University (across the street from the Ice Center)

**Everyone gets in FREE, however ONLY Athletes & Coaches with a wristband will receive a FREE sandwich**

This event will include:

- Food (Chick fil A Sandwich, chips & water) – FREE for athletes & coaches with a credential/wristband ONLY
- Games
- Inflatables
- MUCH, MUCH MORE!

*\*\* Food will be available for purchase for families and others without a wristband.*

### Opening Ceremonies

Friday, August 2 – 7pm at Williams Stadium – Liberty University

**Athletes & Coaches wearing their Games Credential will be permitted to march in the parade of athletes (line up occurs at Tailgate Party).**

Join us for the parade of athletes, lighting of the cauldron, and much more!

Helpful Links:

[Games/Visitor Guide](#) – includes all of the following as well as Things to do while in Lynchburg, results & more – best page to bookmark other than the Basketball page 😊

[Hotels/Campus Lodging](#)

[Directions to Gyms](#) (Click the link on the page for the Google Map to help make navigating a little easier)

[Ticket Prices](#)

[Restaurant Guide](#)

Follow the Tournament by downloading the tournament app on your mobile device – **TeamSnap Tournaments**

Download the app to get schedule information, alerts and real-time scores with TeamSnap Tournaments.

To download the TeamSnap Tournaments app, go to the Google Play Store or Apple App Store to find app:

1. Google Play Store - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.fanapp>

2. Apple App Store - <https://appsto.re/us/1ngndb.i>

3. In app sign in using this your email address and follow our tournament, Virginia Commonwealth Games at Liberty University Basketball Tournament 2018

4. Now you can see favorite your team, see division schedules, and can receive real-time scores, updates, and notifications. You can also see results on the web here. Please note that you will not receive real-time alerts unless you are on the app. <https://events.teamsnap.com/events/3692/results/division>

**State Games of America Apparel will be available for purchase at various locations, throughout the weekend! Check out the Games Guide Page of our Website for more info!**

### **Schedules**

2019 Schedules are live in the app! Please check there for the schedules, check back for revisions, I will do my best to keep the teams updated if something changes!

To stay updated about the Games and for event updates make sure to check us out on:

**#SGA2019**

***If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.***

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