



### Age Group Requirements

#### GRADE BASED COMPETITION RULES

**4TH GRADE** – An athlete must be in the 4th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 12 prior to September 1, 2027.

**5TH GRADE** – An athlete must be in the 5th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 13 prior to September 1, 2027.

**6TH GRADE** – An athlete must be in the 6th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 14 prior to September 1, 2027.

**7TH GRADE** – An athlete must be in the 7th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 15 prior to September 1, 2027.

**8TH GRADE** – An athlete must be in the 8th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 16 prior to September 1, 2027.

**9TH Grade**- An athlete must be in the 9th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 17 prior to September 1, 2027.

**10TH Grade**- An athlete must be in the 10th grade or below as of October 1, 2026 and cannot turn 18 prior to September 1, 2027.

**Grade Exception Policy- A player may tryout to play down a grade if they fit the below criteria:**

<b><u>Grade as of October 1, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Requested Grade</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate Requirement</u></b>
4th Grade	3rd Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2017
5th Grade	4th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2016
6th Grade	5th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2015
7th Grade	6th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2014
8th Grade	7th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2013
9th Grade	8th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2012
10th Grade	9th Grade	Born on or after September 1, 2011