



Temiskaming Thunder Rep Basketball Program

What to Expect as a Thunder Rep Athlete

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The Temiskaming Thunder Rep Program is our competitive travel basketball stream designed for athletes ready to elevate their game. Separate from our Youth League and training clinics, Rep requires greater commitment, but offers even greater reward—on and off the court.

Here's what families need to know:

Program Structure & Time Commitment

- **Weekly practices (up to 2)** begin in late November and run through May. Some of the **boy's rep teams may begin later**, in January or February with some skills sessions leading up.
- **Rosters can include up to 15 athletes per team.**
- **2–4 tournaments** will be scheduled between January–May, primarily in Southern Ontario. Boys' season games typically begin in March.
- **Female teams** also participate in the **New Liskeard Ladies League**, which provides a weekly game (this is age-dependent as well). During that league's season, female teams typically practice once per week. Once it concludes, we ramp up to 2 weekly practices.
- **Boys teams**, we may consider entering them into the **Thunder Men's Basketball League**, depending on the age level and overall commitment of our players.
- Teams will also compete in **at least 8 matchups** against OBA teams, including clubs from Northern Ontario such as Timmins, Sudbury, North Bay, and Kirkland Lake (if available in corresponding age groups).
- Open tryouts will be held in **Fall 2025**. Please note that completing the interest form does **not guarantee a roster spot**.
- Once we've gathered enough interest through the Rep Team form and connected with our volunteer coaching staff to determine which teams we'll run and who will be coaching each group, we'll share the official tryout schedule in late August early Sept—including dates, times, and locations.
- Each team will have a **minimum of 2–3 dedicated Thunder coaches**.

We proudly operate out of **two communities, New Liskeard (TDSS/ESCSM) and Englehart (EHS)**. We understand that travel in Northern Ontario can be challenging, and we do our best to minimize travel time and provide **equal opportunity for players and families** across the Temiskaming Shores and Surrounding Areas.



Cost & What's Included

The registration fee ranges from **\$625–\$700 per athlete**, depending on the team. This fee covers:

- **OBA registration fees**
- **Team insurance and program costs**, including coach certifications and referee fees
- **Tournament entry fees**
- **Two high-quality game uniforms** (to be returned at season end)
- A **Thunder Swag Kit** for players to keep

Thanks to our incredible **community sponsors**, we are proud to offer one of the **lowest rep registration fees in the OBA**. Their support allows us to keep the game accessible while delivering a high-level competitive experience.

Additional Expenses

Families should plan for travel-related costs such as gas, accommodations, and meals during away tournaments. Please note: our program does not provide busing, transportation to and from games and tournaments is the responsibility of families. Our coaching team will share details as early as possible to support budgeting and planning.

OBA Certified Club

Temiskaming Thunder is proudly recognized as an **Ontario Basketball Association (OBA) certified club**. This ensures we train and compete under provincial standards, attend sanctioned events, and provide a clear growth path for athletes in Ontario.

Community Support & Gear Partners

We're grateful for the local businesses who help bring Thunder Rep to life:

- **Active One Source for Sports – New Liskeard** provides fan and family Thunder swag
- **H2T Sportswear – New Liskeard** handles embroidery and official Thunder Rep apparel, including customization of Lululemon gear



Temiskaming Thunder Rep is a Lululemon Team Program

We're proud to announce that Temiskaming Thunder Rep is now an **official Lululemon Team Program**. This provides exclusive access to our rep athletes with premium Lululemon gear engineered for movement, comfort, and performance. Lululemon apparel is for our **rep athletes & coaches only** and is not available for public sale.

If you haven't done so already and you are—or have—a player interested in trying out for a Thunder Rep Team, **please take a moment to fill out our [online Interest Form](#)**. This helps us plan ahead and ensures you don't miss any important updates.

Please note: while this serves as a high-level guide to give families more insight into our program, some details—like start times or number of participants—may shift slightly as we finalize plans and teams. We truly appreciate your interest in the Temiskaming Thunder and your support in helping us grow the game in our region!

