SKILL BUILDER: 5th-6th Grade **BUILDING FUNDAMENTALS BY GRADE**

Areas of Focus-This is a guideline of what should be taught at each level.

Fundamentals-These are the key fundamentals to work on at each level. Always remember to continue working on fundamentals already learned. All of the new skills are in italic print

Terms To Introduce/Develop/Reinforce- Basketball rules and concepts to teach and develop progressively by grade. Again, continue developing previous concepts while working on introducing new ones.

Areas of Focus	Fundamentals to Develop	Terms to Reinforce
1. Establish a positive and fun environment 2. Develop the fundamentals for improvement 3. Introduce and develop various basketball concepts (Exhelp defense) 4. Reinforce all basketball rules and terminology 5. Reinforce simplifies offense and defensive strategies, and introduce some advanced strategies. 6. Introduce the team concept, and each member being an important part of the team 7. Introduce the concept of winning, but it is not a major focus	Fundamentals to Develop A. Continue Improving all 4K-4 th Grade Fundamentals B. Footwork / Agility C. Ball Handling / Dribbling D. Passing / Catching E. Shooting F. Lay-ups G. Finishing H. Rebounding I. Defense	Terms to Reinforce A. Double-Dribble B. Baseline C. FT Line D. 3-Point Line E. Sideline F. Rim is 10 Feet G. Block H. Lane I. Half-Court Line J. Use Backboard Top Corner of Square K. Elbow L. Jump Circle M. Rebound (Get your own) N. Traveling O. Foul Terms to Develop A. Turnovers B. Jump Ball/Possession Arrow C. Dead Ball D. Wing E. Short Corner F. FT Line Extended G. Lane Line Extended H. Screen I. Give & Go J. V-Cut K. L-Cut L. Back-cut M. 5 Passing Lanes N. Spacing Terms to Introduce
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FUNDAMENTALS

Footwork To Reinforce

- Triple-threat
- Jump-stop
- High-Knees
- Butt-Kicks
- Cuts sharp angles
- Lay-up form: right hand up / right knee up
- Lay-up form: left hand up / left knee up
- Front Pivot
- Square-up with a step

Footwork To Develop

- Multiple pivots / re-pivots with ball
- High Sweep
- Low Sweep
- Reverse Pivot
- Outside-Inside
- Screening Angle (cut to score)

Footwork To Introduce

Perimeter Drives Footwork:

- Blast
- Rocker-step
- Crossover

Post Moves Footwork:

- *Half-moon foot fight*
- Drop-step (baseline and middle)
- *Up & under*

Finishes Footwork:

- Vicious Pivot
- Hips Across

Ball Handling / Dribbling To Reinforce:

Stationary – No Dribble:

- Ball slaps
- Finger tips
- Around the head
- Around waist
- Around both ankles
- Around right ankle
- Around left ankle
- Figure 8

Stationary – 1 Ball Dribbling:

- Arm bar
- Right hand consecutive dribbles
- Left hand consecutive dribbles
- Crossovers: right-to-left continuous dribbles
- Inside-out dribble: right hand
- Inside-out dribble: left hand

Non-Stationary – 1 Ball Dribbling:

- Right hand consecutive dribbles on move
- Left hand consecutive dribbles on move
- Right hand to half-court
- Left hand to half-court
- Cone dribbling right hand only
- Cone dribbling left hand only
- Cone dribbling crossovers
- Right hand full-court
- Left hand full-court

Stationary – 2 Ball Dribbling:

- 2 Ball dribbling (same) in place
- 2 Ball dribbling (alternate) in

Ball Handling / Dribbling To Develop:

➡ With introduction of
Stationary with No, 1 and 2
ball dribbling, all of the dribble
moves for the Little Dribblers
Routine is now complete

Stationary – No Dribble:

- Single Switches
- Double Flips
- Spider

Stationary – 1 Ball Dribbling:

- Kill Dribble RH & LH
- Forward & Back RH & LH
- Forward & Back RH & LH
- Side-to-side RH & LH
- RH around right ankle
- LH around left ankle
- Figure 8 RH & LH
- Continuous crossover under right knee
- Continuous crossover under left knee
- Continuous crossover left/right behind the back
- Scissors
- Rhythm between legs
- Rhythm behind back
- Rhythm combo

Stationary – 2 Ball Dribbling:

- 2 Ball Push / Pull
- 2 Ball Side / Side (same direction)
- 2 Ball Side / Side (opposite direction)

Ball Handling / Dribbling To Introduce:

- N/A
- Focus to develop the Dribble Moves in the Devlop Column of 1 ball and 2 ball dribbling in the open court – Moves are below and in the column to the left.

<u>Dribble Moves (Open Court – 1 Ball</u> Dribbling):

- Speed Dribble
- Change speed: Go hard, stop
- Hesitation
- Crossover
- Inside-out/Fake-crossover
- Back Dribble

<u>Dribble Moves (Open Court – 2 Ball Dribbling):</u>

- 2 Ball Speed Dribble
- 2 Ball Alternate Speed Dribble
- 2 Ball Hesitation

2 Ball Crossover

place 2 Ball dribbling cross in place Non-Stationary – 2 Ball Dribbling: 2 Ball dribbling to half-court 2 Ball dribbling full-court	 Right High, Left Low (Switch) Left in place, Right Forward / Back (Switch) Left in place, Right Side / Side (Switch) Right in place, Left around left ankle (switch) 2 Ball Figure 8 Through middle, around outside Around outside, through middle 	
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	Dribble Moves (Open Court – 2 Ball Dribbling): 2 Ball Speed Dribble 2 Ball Alternate Speed Dribble 2 Ball Hesitation 2 Ball Crossover	
Passing & Catching To Reinforce:	Passing & Catching To Develop:	Passing & Catching To Introduce:
 Bounce Pass Chest Pass Show hand target when receiving a pass Catching a bounce pass Catching a chest pass Make one pass fake before passing 	 Bounce & Chest passes on move (half-court & transition) Catching passes with a jump-stop or 1-2 step and squaring up 	 Overhead Pass Step-around Pass Post Feed (throw away from defense and hit the hand)
 Chest Pass Show hand target when receiving a pass Catching a bounce pass Catching a chest pass 	move (half-court & transition) Catching passes with a jump- stop or 1-2 step and squaring	Step-around PassPost Feed (throw away from defense and hit the
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 Left hand lay-up 3 steps no dribble Right hand lay-up 1 dribble Left hand lay-up 1 dribble Finishing To Reinforce: 	Finishing To Develop:	Finishing To Introduce:
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N/A	Mikan Drill (1 Ball)	Mikan Drill (2 Ball)Reverse Mikan
Rebounding To Reinforce:	Rebounding To Develop:	Rebounding To Introduce:
N/A	 Palms Up (See your palms) Secure with 2 hands and pull down in a "Z" Chin-it Second Effort Offensive Rebounding Box-out 	 180 degree turn Outlet with overhead pass Dribble Release Weak-side & Percentages (for offensive & defensive rebounds)
Individual Defense To Reinforce:	Individual Defense To Develop:	Individual Defense To Introduce:
 Defensive slides Defensive stance – Boxer stance 	 Glide-Run-Glide Close-out Denying the Basket-cut Denying the Flash-cut Stance on the ball vs. a live dribble Guarding the dribble – cut off offensive player's path Talk on defense (Dead, Screen R or L, Shot) 	 Denial Stance Turn & Run (Regain lost position) Defensive angles guarding the drive Fronting the Post Taking a Charge Hedge (Defending the Ball-Screen) and recovery
Team Defense To Reinforce:	Team Defense To Develop:	Team Defense To Introduce:
N/A	 Defensive Transition Positioning (Protect Rim) 	 Off ball positioning (1 and 2 passes away) Force Baseline Help & Recover
Team Offense To Reinforce:	Team Offense To Develop:	Team Offense To Introduce:
N/A	 Spacing Pass and Cut to the basket Screen (Cross, Back, Down) 	 Press Break (vs. Man) Primary Break Transition (Pitch ball ahead) Transition (Run lanes) Ball Reversal (side-top-side, inside-out, drive baseline fill baseline, drive and kick) Ball Movement Dribble Penetration Flare Screen Dribble Over Shallow cut