

MLP OPEN League:

Format/Rules: We will be following a modified version of the standard [MLP Rules](#)

- Each team will play one match series a week in a 2-hour window (2 mixed doubles, men's doubles, women's doubles, and a **Dream Breaker***)
 - Typically, the Dream Breaker is done in a singles format; however, we will play our Dream Breaker in a Doubles format.
 - The women will play for 4 points, followed by the men, followed by the mixed doubles.
 - To keep in line with the strategy of the MLP Dream Breaker, the team Home Team will be able to choose mixed doubles teams LAST in standard play; however, they must choose FIRST during the Dream Breaker. The Away team must choose mixed doubles teams FIRST in standard play but can choose LAST during the Dream Breaker.
- MLP League uses rally scoring, games to 21, win by 2
- Each game in the series counts towards the overall placement in the playoffs
- The more points scored, the better. We will be using wins AND point differential to determine seeding in the playoffs
- 4 to 6 teams per division
 - 3.0-3.5 & 3.5-4.0
- Tie Breakers
 - Total games won
 - Point Differential
 - Head-to-head

Registration and Teams

- Players will register as individuals for the league at their level
- PBC Staff will create equal and fair teams based on “draft day results”, skill level and prior knowledge of players.
- Each team will be comprised of 2 men and 2 women
- Each team must provide a team name
- Substitutes are allowed; however, notification must be provided to Pickleball Charlotte ahead of time. Your sub must meet the following requirements:
 - Have a player rating with Pickleball Charlotte
 - be the same gender and same **PBC** playing level (or lower) as the absent player

Playoffs

- Playoffs are determined by the season results based on overall wins and total points
- There will be 2 medal matches, Gold and Bronze
- All other teams will play for seeding
- Winning team members get 50% off the next MLP season

Season Details

- 5-week season includes “Draft Day” 3 regular season matches and playoffs
- Start Date: March 19th - April 23rd (Off April 9th in observance of Easter)
- \$65 per participant