

Sports Handout 2023-2024

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Thank you for choosing St. Vincent de Paul School to support the athletic growth of your child! We look forward to a successful sports year with you because our mission is
"Where Children and Learning Come First!"

Handbook Policies:

- The St. Vincent Athletic Committee offers students in grades 5-8 the opportunity to play volleyball & basketball. These activities may be offered to all fourth graders if necessary and will be determined on a year-by-year basis.
- Cheerleading is also available to students in grades 5-8.
- Following are guidelines to the program:
 - No practices/games are permitted during standardized testing and exam weeks
 - Any student who is absent or leaves school because of illness cannot participate in school sponsored extracurricular activities that evening. Parents are responsible to inform the coach of illness.
 - Academic suspension from games will be assessed at mid-quarter and end-of-quarter reports. One D or F will result in player not starting the game and sitting the first quarter/set. More than one D or F will result in player not playing 50% of the game. The principal will notify the parents and coaches of such suspension. The student may be reinstated any time after the teacher feels class work has improved.
 - Any disciplinary problems in school or on the court will also prevent a player from participating in games. It will be discussed between the school principal, parish priest, and coach.
 - Coaches will provide you with a game and concession work schedule as soon as possible. Please work your assigned shift or find someone to switch with you.
 - Please keep your uniform in the best condition possible and do not place them in the dryer. The white side is for home games and black side is for away games.

Expectations:

- The coaches will instruct your child so that he/she learns the fundamentals of the game in a positive setting.
- Coaches have completed the Prevent and Protect requirements.
- Grades 5-6 will focus on the basics/fundamentals while providing as much equal playing time as possible.
- Grades 7-8 will focus on using prior fundamentals to play at an increased competitive level and playing time could be altered to provide the team with the greatest chance to win.
- Players, coaches, and parents will handle themselves in a respectful manner that displays good sportsmanship and our Catholic values. Referees, principals, Athletic Board members, or parish priest have the right to remove coaches and parents from the game.

Practice:

- Attendance at every practice is mandatory.
- If you can not attend a practice, please inform the coach as soon as possible.
- Attendance at practice can affect the level of playing time for the next game.

Game Schedule:

- Coaches will provide you with a game schedule as soon as possible.
- Please work your assigned shift or find someone to trade with you. We need bookkeeper, scoreboard, and concessions at every home game.

Uniforms:

- Please keep your uniform in the best condition possible.
- Do not place it in the dryer as it causes cracks in the letters and numbers.
- The white side is for home games and the black side is for away games.

Eighth Grade:

- Order warm ups from Legacy asap
- Get volleyball and basketball posters made at same time at start of school year- take pics and email to Annie Hurst to make the posters for 8th grade night
- 8th grade parents do not work concessions, gate, or score table on 8th grade night
- 7th grade parents need to be in charge of ordering the plaques, flowers, and balloons.

Attitude of Gratitude:

- Thank you to all who make our sports program a place where our kiddos learn how to play the game, show good sportsmanship, and have a positive work ethic!

Athletic Board:

- Chain of Command
 - 1- Player talks to the coach
 - 2- Parent talks to the coach
 - 3- Parent talks to Athletic Board
- President- Stephanie Schwoeppe (636) 744-2581
- Vice President- Jennifer Struckhoff (636) 259-6367
- Treasurer- Lynn Wilson (314) 495-1941