



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

ATHLETIC & BOOSTER COMMITTEE

May 2, 2011

The Athletic and Booster Committee would like to welcome the new 5th grade families as well as returning families to the St. Joseph athletic program. It is the program's intent to improve the spiritual, social, and physical skill level of each athlete while providing each student/athlete with a rewarding experience. We have high expectations of our parents, students, and fans representing St. Joseph School and hope that we will be respectful of our teammates, classmates, opponents and all of the facilities that we use throughout the year for practices and games.

This packet contains information and forms to participate in volleyball, and basketball programs at St. Joseph School during the 2011-12 school year. Due to scheduling requirements it is important to complete and return the registration material by the deadlines. All forms and info are available on the St. Joseph web site www.stjosephdg.org. No student will be denied the ability to play for financial reasons.

- **May 13, 2011 – Registration deadline.** Registrations post marked after May 13 will be assessed a late fee and will be processed if space, equipment, and uniforms are available. If space is not available students will be placed on a waiting list.
- **July 15, 2011 – Physicals due to the School Office.** All student/athletes are required to have a yearly sports physical. No athlete will be allowed to participate without this form properly completed and on file in the School Office. A link to the physical form is available on the school web site. **SPORTS PHYSICALS SHOULD BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE!**
- **2011 Football Registration was held this past March and information regarding Football Registration can be found on the A&B website or by contacting Football Coordinator David Edwards (doy1966@gmail.com).**
- **Track and Coed Volleyball** – Registration will be held separately in spring 2011.
- **Athletic Participation Agreement Form – this form should be read, understood, and signed by both parents and student/athletes.**

Our “pay per sport” fee structure is used to obtain commitments from students and to obtain accurate numbers to use in determining the number of teams per grade level. Registrations received after the deadline may be placed on a waiting list. We will make every effort to accommodate all students. If the number of participants changes after we have committed to a certain number of teams per grade, we end up with teams that have too many or not enough players.

We rely on parents to help coach, work in the concession stand for football games, and assigned track and field events during track meets. Volunteer sign-up for football and track will be handled by each respective sport. The volunteer work for football and track is in addition to the Special Event Volunteer Commitments. We require each family to assist in at least one special event (Parish Picnic or the St. Pat's Dance and Raffle). Parents unable to commit to working a special event should add an additional \$50 to their registration fee. Our preference is your gift of time at the special events. Thank you in advance for your volunteer support.

Please take some time this year to review the Parent Handbook. The handbook contains valuable information regarding the St. Joseph sports program including Philosophy, Goals, Playing Time, Evaluation/Try-outs, Expectations and Sport and League information. The Handbook can be found on the St. Joseph web site.

We will be updating background checks for many of our volunteers this upcoming season. Please complete and return forms promptly.

The St. Joseph web site, blogs and weekly Messenger are all great sources of information regarding the Athletic Programs. Please feel free to contact me at flannery13@comcast.net if you have any questions. Have a great summer.

Best Regards,

Tim Flannery, A& B President

MAY 13TH DEADLINE

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

1. **Complete** Family Athletic Registration Form and calculate fees due.(p.3)
2. **Complete** Athletic Participation Agreement (p.4)
3. **Complete** Consent and Waiver Form. (p.5)
4. **Complete** Verification of Insurance Form. (p.6)
5. **Complete** A & B Parent Volunteer Commitment and Uniform and Equipment Waiver. (p.7) (Although a security deposit is not required for uniforms, parents are responsible for the cost of lost or damaged equipment and uniforms, and will be billed if uniforms are not returned.)
6. **Complete** volleyball mini camp registration form if applicable.

Please return at the same time the 5 forms with a check for the total amount due.
Checks should be made payable to “St. Joseph A&B”.

Forms should be returned by May 13th to:

Tom Lamoureux
5924 Hillcrest Court
Downers Grove, IL 60516

Your son or daughter will not be allowed to practice, pick up uniforms or participate in any sports and camps until we have received all registration materials and until a physical has been returned.

PLEASE
DO NOT MAIL or SEND REGISTRATION FORMS
to ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

START DATES AND PARENTS MEETINGS:

Start dates for volleyball are on the respective sport information sheet enclosed. Please also note the information below for the parents’ meetings and uniform pickup.
Attendance is mandatory.

Football players and their parents will meet for the parents’ meeting and uniform pickup during the week of training camp (August). Dave Edwards will provide more details as they are made available.

Volleyball players and their parents will meet during the week of camps. Please check volleyball dates for times and days.

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ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL Athletic Participation Agreement

Date: _____

I hereby request St. Joseph School to grant permission for my student to participate in St. Joseph School athletics. I understand that I am entering into a voluntary contract between myself, the parent(or guardian) of a St. Joseph Catholic elementary school student, and St. Joseph Catholic elementary school for participation in school sponsored athletic activities.

I agree to cooperate with and support the rules and regulations of the Diocese of Joliet, of St. Joseph School and its School & Athletic boards, and to be governed by these rules and regulations as announced to me by the pastor or principal of St. Joseph School, as published in the Student-Parent Handbook, the Student-Parent Athletic Handbook, and as announced or published in other places by the school administration. I understand that I must be familiar with and accountable for these rules and regulations and the policies and procedures which govern participation in athletics representing St. Joseph School.

As a player, my student understands that he/she must fulfill all religious and academic responsibilities to St. Joseph School and Parish, and conduct himself/herself as a committed Christian in school, outside of school, and in particular at any activity involving athletic competition representing St. Joseph School. My student agrees to be bound by the rules and regulations regarding athletics and to submit himself/herself voluntarily to the application of the rules.

As a parent of a St. Joseph School athletic participant, I understand my responsibility and obligation to see that my student fulfills his/her religious and academic responsibilities including school work and homework assignments and complies with the rules and regulations for participation in St. Joseph School athletics. I further agree that as an adult I will conduct myself in a responsible and mature Christian manner at all times at all practices and games, that I will show respect for authority, and will engage in no activity or conduct which is any way is disrespectful, combative or confrontational, or question the jurisdiction of the pastor, school principal, coach, officials, or anyone connected with the conduct of St. Joseph School athletics.

As a player and parent we acknowledge that a violation of the rules and regulations may result in forfeiture of ability to participate in athletics representing St. Joseph School.

Our signatures mean that we understand and accept these conditions for the participation of our student and family, which are binding through our student's graduation from St. Joseph School.

PARENT'S NAME: _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

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**CONSENT AND WAIVER FOR PARTICIPATION IN
ST. JOSEPH ATHLETIC PROGRAM
2011-12**

As parent or legal guardian of the child/children named below, I hereby give my approval and consent for their participation in activities of the St. Joseph Athletic Program during the current school year.

I certify that my child/children have no medical disabilities not disclosed on this statement, which would be aggravated by participation in this program. I further agree that if medical disabilities are disclosed, I will supply the St. Joseph Athletic and Booster Club with a Doctor's Statement that my child/children may participate in specific sports selected.

In consideration of my child's/children's participation in activities, I agree that coaches, adult supervisors, assistants, agents, directors, officers or members of the St. Joseph Athletic and Booster Club will not be held liable for any injury or claim incurred on behalf of my child or children while participating in any activities of the athletic program.

I give my consent and approval to the St. Joseph Athletic Program and its coaches, adult supervisors, assistants, or agents to provide any necessary first aid and emergency medical treatment. I further agree that neither the St. Joseph Athletic Program nor the St. Joseph Athletic and Booster Club or their representatives or members shall be held liable for the bestowal of such treatment.

Transportation is each individual athlete's responsibility. It is my understanding that I am responsible for my child(ren)'s transportation to and from sporting events, including practices. Permission is hereby granted to the St. Joseph Athletic Program and St. Joseph Athletic and Booster Club and their representatives, as deemed necessary, to furnish transportation as required by bus, vans, truck, or car to my child/children during the school year.

Child's Name:	Grade:	Health or Other Concerns:	Sport(s):
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

To the best of my knowledge, my child(ren) has no health concerns preventing participation in the sports program.
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian:

Address:

Date: _____
Phone: _____

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**ST. JOSEPH ATHLETIC PROGRAM
VERIFICATION OF INSURANCE
2011-12**

The Athletic and Booster Club requires that each child be covered by medical and hospitalization insurance. Proof of insurance is required as indicated below.

FAMILY NAME _____

Please certify one of the following:

1) Employer coverage:

Company: _____

Policy Name and Number: _____

Name of Policy Holder: _____

Expiration Date: _____

2) Family Coverage:

Policy Name and Number: _____

Name of Policy Holder: _____

Expiration Date: _____

If your child is not covered by any of the above, you must enroll him/her in Student Insurance Plan 2 coverage

3) Student Accident Policy - 24 Hour Coverage:

Expiration Date: _____

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2011-12 ATHLETIC AND BOOSTER VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT

Parents are expected to work at least one major A & B activity per year or include an additional fee of \$50 with your registration. We encourage your support and involvement in our activities. Please choose from the following:

- _____ Parish Block Party
(late summer 2011)
- _____ St. Pat's Dance (March 3, 2012)

In order to fulfill my volunteer requirements, I hereby acknowledge my responsibility to work at the necessary duties involved.

Signature of Parent

Date

2011-12 UNIFORM & EQUIPMENT WAIVER FORM

It is specifically understood that I agree to return in good condition any equipment (i.e. uniforms) issued to my child(ren) during the school year. It is understood that the equipment will be due for return at the end of the respective sports season and/or when my son/daughter no longer is a participant.

I hereby agree to abide by the Committee's determinations to whether or not the condition of returned equipment is acceptable.

I further agree to reimburse the St. Joseph Athletic & Booster Committee for the original cost of lost or damaged equipment no later than the date for equipment return.

Signature of Parent

Date

**ST. JOSEPH CRUSADERS
BASKETBALL INFORMATION SHEET**

Length of Season Historically, the season for both boys and girls starts in early-November and ends by mid-March.

Practices We try to schedule two practices a week, with each practice lasting an hour to an hour and a half. The day of the week, time of day and location of practices will vary depending on gym availability and the coach's time and day preferences.

Practice Locations This past season we scheduled practices at the following locations: St Joe; Hobson Road Community Church (on Hobson west of Belmont); Elizabeth Ide School (south of the Wal-Mart on 75th); Lakeview Jr. High (701 Plainfield Rd on far south side of DG), El Sierra School (68th & Fairmount); Puffer School (corner of Belmont and Prairie). Practice site preference is given to the 8th grade teams first, then 7th grade, then 6th grade, and last to 5th grade.

Number of Games All teams participate in the DuPage Parochial League(DPL). The DPL games are played on Friday nights, Saturday mornings and afternoons and Sunday afternoons, with typically one game per weekend. Maximum number of games per season are: 5th – 15; 6th – 20; and, 7th & 8th – 26 games.

Location of Games The DPL home games are played at St Joe and away games are played all over the suburbs, from Western Springs to Naperville and Villa Park to Woodridge.

Tournaments Decisions to enter tournaments are made by the basketball coordinator and the coaches. Scheduling of tournaments depends on many factors, including availability, compatibility with DPL schedule, and level of competition. Tournaments may take place over the holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Number of Teams The number of teams depends on the number of students who want to participate. All students who register by May 15th will be placed on a team. Students registered after the deadline will be placed on a waiting list and placed on a team if there is space.

Placement of Students on Teams Evaluations will be held in September. All students will be evaluated on their basketball skills in order to place students on a team with others of similar ability. The top rated students will be placed on the A team and the remainder will be on the B team. If there are enough players for 2 B teams then the B teams will be split evenly by skill level.

Coaches The sports program at St. Joseph is an all-volunteer organization, including coaches. Generally, the coaches are parents but can be anyone knowledgeable in basketball. If you are interested, or know of someone interested in coaching, contact Rick Aguayo at (630)964-2583, or Tom Jaworski (630) 732-1534.

Playing Time Each student will play at least one quarter per game. Playing time could be less, however, depending on attendance and effort at practices and games.

Additional Information If you have any questions or comments, please call Rick, Tom, or any A & B Committee member.

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Girls' volleyball is played in the fall and is open to all incoming 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls. All grade levels play in the DuPage Parochial League (DPL). Each 5th and 6th grade team plays ten season matches, 12 matches each for 7th and 8th grade, with playoff matches at the end of the season. The volleyball season runs from the middle of August to the middle of November. Playoff schedules are not known until the end of the regular season, however, every team will play at least one round of playoffs.

Teams are split every year at each grade level according to ability into A and B divisions. Players are evaluated at a mandatory tryout by evaluators. Mandatory evaluations are held in May during one of the last weeks of school. If more than one A or B team is necessary, the respective teams will be divided equally. In addition, 7th and 8th grade teams will be divided taking players' positions into consideration.

Practices are held twice weekly for each team/grade level at the St. Joseph gym. Players are expected to attend ALL practices with athletic shoes appropriate for use in the gym, proper clothing (no bare midriffs or spandex shorts) and no jewelry, especially earrings. In the event of an absence, the player is responsible for calling her coach. It is at the coach's discretion whether or not a girl will play in a match if she has missed practice(s). This will be determined by the reason for the missed practice.

DPL games are played every weekend on Friday, Saturday or Sunday with home games at St. Joseph gym and away games at the opponent's gym. As with all team sports, attendance is essential. If a player has another obligation on game day she should give her coach advance notice so that the coach may fill the vacancy if necessary. Vacancies are filled in accordance with League guidelines. If a player misses a match without giving her coach notice, it will be up to the coach's discretion whether or not that athlete will play in the next match.

Sixth, seventh, and eighth grade teams may play in tournaments outside of league play. The number of tournaments played is determined by each grade level. Tournaments are entered based on availability and/or invitation. Players are notified immediately of tournaments for their grade level. There is no cost to the player for entering a tournament. Tournaments are considered part of the volleyball season and attendance is mandatory for all team players. A commitment to being on the team assumes parent and player agreement with this policy.

Volleyball mini-camps are held in August for all grades. These camps are not mandatory but are **strongly recommended**. The cost for the mini-camp is minimal. Camps are conducted by the grade level coaches and at times by a guest volleyball specialist. Players are encouraged to attend other camps and clinics throughout the year.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL SUMMER MINI-CAMPS

Volleyball mini-camps for girls entering grades 5 through 8 will be held this summer for all St. Joseph students registered to play organized volleyball this fall. While the mini-camps are not mandatory, they are highly recommended if your daughter is registered to play for St. Joseph in the fall. All camps are held in the St. Joseph gym. Players should bring athletic shoes for use in the gym and a water bottle. Spandex shorts, bare midriffs, and jewelry, especially earrings, will not be allowed in the gym. Knee pads are also recommended. Camps are directed by the Head Coach for your child's grade level as well as other assistants.

The cost is \$15.00 per student athlete for the instructional camp and a camp t-shirt. If your daughter plans to attend camp, please complete the form below and return with your check, payable to "St. Joseph A & B", to: *Tom Lamoureux, 5924 Hillcrest Ct, Downers Grove, IL 60516*, no later than May 15th, to reserve a spot. Any questions regarding the camps should be directed to Colleen Morrison, (630) 969-8957.

****All campers (5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th), MUST have their completed physical form sent to the school by July 15th.**

GRADE 5 MINI-CAMP

Monday August 8 – Thursday August 11 - Time TBD *

Parents' meeting will be scheduled Day and Time TBD
*** Pending coach availability, this camp may instead be held**
Monday August 1 – Thursday August 4 During the day

GRADE 6 MINI-CAMP

Monday August 1 – Thursday August 4 5 – 7 pm
Parents' meeting will be Tuesday, August 2nd @6:45pm at the gym.

GRADE 7 MINI-CAMP

Monday August 1 – Thursday August 4 7 - 9 pm
Parents' meeting will be Tuesday, August 2nd, @8:45pm at the gym.

GRADE 8 MINI-CAMP

Monday August 1 – Thursday August 4 3 - 5 pm
Parents' meeting will be Tuesday, August 2nd @ 4:45pm at the gym.

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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL
SUMMER MINI-CAMPS
REGISTRATION
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Please register my daughter(s) for St. Joe's Volleyball Mini-Camp

Name _____
Grade level _____
T-shirt size Adult S M L XL

Name _____
Grade level _____
T-shirt size Adult S M L XL

Name _____
Grade level _____
T-shirt size Adult S M L XL

\$15.00 per student

In case of emergency, I can be reached at the following number during the camp session
(____) _____

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL EVALUATIONS

Mandatory evaluations for team splits for St. Joseph Crusader Volleyball will be held for all girls who will be entering 5th through 8th grade for the 2011-12 school year. The evaluations are held in the St. Joseph school gym, according to the schedule below. All students playing volleyball this fall must attend as this is the only evaluation date for each grade level. Team practices will begin in August and the league will begin play the weekend following Labor Day.

GRADE 5

Monday, May 23 3:30 – 5:00pm

GRADE 6

Monday, May 23 4:45 – 6:30pm

GRADE 7

Tuesday, May 24 3:30 – 5:00pm

GRADE 8

Tuesday, May 24 4:45 – 6:30pm

Team rosters will be posted on the gym door and on the SJS website.

****No jewelry of any kind (except medical) is allowed during volleyball practices and games. Therefore, all earrings must be removed prior to each practice and game.****