

MRBS Varsity & Middle School Boys' Soccer Pre-Season Information

To: Boys in Grades 7-12 and Parents
From: Mr. Leone
Re: Varsity Soccer
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012

In a few weeks it will be time again for the spring season to begin. Please note the following information regarding the soccer season.

The first day for Varsity Soccer try-outs is Monday, February 27th. The team will practice from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Transportation will be provided there and back. All athletes may be picked up at the East Campus field by 5:45 p.m. Final rosters will be posted on Monday, March 5th.

Macon Road would also like to announce that we will have a middle school boy's soccer team this year. The goal of the middle school soccer team this year is for development. The middle school team will practice with the varsity team, but will have a short (3-4 games) season. As a result, the playing fee will be less for middle school boys' soccer. Try-outs will begin on Monday, February 27th with the varsity. Rosters will be posted on Monday, March 5th.

For students to be eligible for try-outs the first day, they must turn in the following items at the first day of try-outs (students who do not turn in the following items will not be allowed to participate in try-outs). **Do not turn forms in before the first day of try-outs.**

1. **Sports Physical Examination from a Doctor (must be TAACS form!)**
2. **Sports Waiver**
3. **Information Sheet**
4. **Perforated Athletic Parent Voucher Permission Form turned in.**
5. **Fan Behavior Guideline Form**

*****Note: Those who have NOT participated in any sport this year should turn in all paperwork the first day of try-outs. Do NOT turn any paperwork into the office! Athletes who have participated in sports this year do not need to turn any paperwork.***

Uniforms:

The school will be providing uniform tops and shorts. All players must wear either black, white, or blue colored cleats (**NO NEON COLORS! Players who have purchased neon color cleats or cleats that are not royal, black, or white will NOT be permitted to wear them**) and shin guards for soccer. Soccer players will also have to purchase socks from Mr. Leone for \$5.00 if they do not already have them. Athletes will need two pairs of socks (**SOLID ROYAL BLUE & SOLID WHITE**). Note: Middle school soccer players only need solid royal blue socks.

All players will also have to purchase a practice uniform if they do not already have one. Short sleeve shirts are \$8.00 and the shorts are \$15.00. A long sleeve shirt (\$11.00) and a sweatshirt (\$12.00) may also be purchased as part of the practice uniform.

Eligibility:

All athletes must be passing all subjects and maintain a C average overall. For example, an athlete can have all A's, but if he has one F he will not be eligible to play. Also, if a student is passing all classes but has 3 C's and 3 D's he will not be eligible to play because he is not maintaining a C average overall. These are the Tennessee Association of Christian Schools'

(TACS) eligibility policies. **All grade averages are cumulative from the first day of each semester.**

If a student is off for grades, he will still be required to attend practices and home games unless instructed differently by his coach. Ineligible players are not allowed to attend away games. Sometimes when an athlete is off for grades, he is required by the coach to not participate in practice. If an athlete is ineligible due to grades, he is still required to wear "game day" dress to school on game days since he is still part of the team. If the coach does not deem it necessary for an ineligible athlete to attend the game competition with the team, the athlete will not be allowed to attend the athletic function.

Game Season:

The game season will begin mid-March and end the first week of May. There will be a Varsity State Tournament May 3-5 with the location still to be determined by the TAACS. There will be a trip fee involved if the team stays overnight in the Nashville area for the State tournament.

Practice Times:

Practice will be every day of the week except Wednesdays. The times for practices are from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Transportation will be provided there and back. Players being picked up at the East Campus must be picked up by 5:45 p.m.

Try-outs and Playing Time:

Please realize that the players exemplifying the best skills, attitude, and work ethic will be chosen for the team. Players chosen for the team will be given as much playing time as possible; however, these are competitive sports and **there is no guarantee to the amount of playing time each athlete will receive.**

Athletic Handbook:

Athletes are expected to abide by the policies in the Athletic Section of the Student Handbook.

Once you have committed to the team, you are expected to complete the season. Students who do not attend practice for any length of time for any excuse other than a medical excuse when present at school will be dismissed from the team. Athletes who do not compete in the final games of the season will be considered dismissed from the team.

Transportation

The athletic program would like to make it clear that most practices will be at the East Campus. Macon Road will provide transportation from the Berclair Campus to all after school practices. Students will need to be picked up at the East or Berclair Campus at the end of each practice or home game. Transportation may not be provided back to Berclair or East campus for some away games.

We look forward to a great soccer season. We appreciate your support and dedication to the MRBS athletic program.

If you have any questions, please call the school at 683-6363.

MRBS Varsity Soccer Uniform Information for 2012

Below is the information for the soccer warm-ups. Please fill out the information and mark the correct sizes. At the bottom of the form, please total the amount of money you will owe. **Please bring this form with you to the 1st day of try-outs!**

All uniform payments will be deducted from the student's voucher on Monday, March 5th.

MRBS Varsity Soccer Uniform Information Form

Athlete's Name: _____

Playing Fees (check one):

_____ Varsity (\$65.00)

_____ Middle School (\$35.00)

Misc.

_____ Socks = \$5.00 Solid Royal or Solid White

Note – If you need both pairs circle both colors.

Size Needed (circle one): Adult Small Adult Medium Adult Large

Total Due (including playing fee)

MRBS Athletic Parent Voucher Permission Form

I give permission for MRBS to deduct all appropriate soccer playing fee (\$65.00 varsity; \$35.00 for middle school) and uniform fees as noted above on March 5th from my voucher account if my child makes the Varsity Soccer team.

Athlete's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

*****Please turn this form in the first day of try-outs!***