



EMS Boys Basketball

EMS Athletics Philosophy: The Erie Middle School Athletic Department offers inclusive activities that help students of all abilities build skills, confidence, and teamwork through both competitive and non-competitive settings. Our coaches support physical, mental, and social growth while fostering an interest in healthy, active living.

What we do:

- Basketball is an opportunity for our student-athletes to learn the skills of basketball. All boys are welcome. Practice starts on **Tuesday, September 30th.**
- We practice **Monday through Friday** from 3:15-4:30. We practice in the main gym as well as the Aux (Wee) gym. This schedule is subject to change. We start practices promptly at 3:15 in the main gym for all boys. Then we will rotate based on skills development.
- Parent pick-up is at the **south parking lot** (off of Main Street at the southeast corner of the building). **Reminder: Practice ends at 4:30 for Athletes. Coaches debrief until 4:45 and all students should be picked up by 4:45 PM at the latest.**
- We understand that basketball athletes are often involved in other sports and activities. Please reach out ahead of time if your athlete will need to miss a practice or a game. If no one reaches out, then playing time could be missed
- We will compete in 5 regular season games and 1 “post-season” game.
- No practice on 10/1 and 10/8 - Conferences
- No Practice on 10/10, and 10/13 - Non-student contact days
- No practice on 10/17 - School Dance
- No practice on 10/31 - Halloween

Communication:

- We will be using Schoology to update schedules, communication, and anything other information important to the program. Please get in the habit of checking the Schoology Basketball page daily. Information about schoology will be discussed at the first practice. **Registration**

Requirements & Uniforms:

- All registration is under the Athletics tab on the school website. The registration fee is \$55. • We will check out jerseys before the first game. Game jerseys are for the travel team only. These must be returned (washed!) after our final game to Coach Morris. 6/7th grade athletes will get information on intramural uniforms at practice.

Eligibility:

- EMS believes in the student athlete philosophy of CHSAA. To help prepare athletes for high school, EMS follows high school eligibility rules. If a student has 2 or more Fs, they will be ineligible to play in any competitions the following week. Students and families will be made aware of ineligibility by 10 AM on Wednesday mornings. Students have until 8 AM Friday to become and remain eligible for the following week's contest.

Attendance:

- It's important to be at practice on time and as much as possible. We understand there are other commitments that are important. If you aren't able to make a practice, please speak to or email Mr. Morris PRIOR to the absence, if possible. If you miss the practice before the game and have not communicated with Mr. Morris, it's considered unexcused and you will not be playing in the game. If you have 2 unexcused absences in a week, you may not be able to participate in the game or intramurals.

Games:

- Games will be played on Monday or Wednesday afternoon. Per district expectations, 8th grade athletes will be the "traveling team." We will be traveling in a district provided bus to and from the venue. If parents would like to bring their athlete home, there will be a sign out sheet at the game. In order to take your athlete, we **must** have a signature on the sign out form.
- 6th and 7th grade athletes will compete in intramural games that *usually* will occur on Wednesday's and Thursday's. Parents and caregivers are welcome to come and support athletes. Intramural games will start at 3:15 and end at 4:30. **South Doors will open at 3:15. Please make sure to use the south doors only to enter the building.** Coaches will work on placing athletes on teams during practice. Each team will consist of 6-10 athletes.

Season schedule for 8th grade "travel" games:

Monday- October 6th – Coal Ridge @ Erie- 3:30

Wednesday – October 15th– Erie @ Altona- 3:30

Monday – October 20th – Erie @ Soaring Heights–3:30

Monday – October 27th – Erie @ Mead- 3:30

Monday – November 3rd – Westview @ Erie - 3:30

Monday - November 10th – TBD-3:30

Season schedule for 6th and 7th grade intramurals:

- We will be putting together an intramural schedule for 6th and 7th grade athletes during the first week of practice.
- Dates for the intramural games are: 10/9, 10/22, 10/23, 10/29, 11/5, and 11/6
- Have a water bottle at school (drink throughout the day!) and at practice.
- Backpacks will be lined up along one side of the gym during practice. Keep all belongings inside of your backpack (avoid iPad exchanges, phones, ect).
- Jewelry should not be worn.
- ***If your athlete is injured and cannot participate***, they are welcome to come to practice and still be part of the team.
- Please make sure that you are here **no later than 4:45pm to pick up your athlete**. Coaches will be here debriefing until that time.

Important Reminders for Practice:

Drew Morris: morris_andrew@svvsd.org DJ Collins
Mathew Appelbaum Dave Brand

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