

Greetings TMI,

For some of you, welcome to the TMI family! For others, welcome back! I know the next couple of months will be very busy for everyone, so I wanted to make sure and address some important points regarding Upper School athletics.

Summer Activities

- There will be several sport specific workouts held during the summer. Times and dates will vary by sport. For more information on those sessions, please contact the following varsity head coaches:
Head Varsity Football Coach Ray Purifoy: r.purifoy@tmi-sa.org
Head Varsity Volleyball Coach Brandon Palomo: b.palomo@tmi-sa.org
Head Varsity Cross Country Coach Edward Martinez: e.martinez@tmi-sa.org
Head Cheerleading Coach Joe Gonzalez: joe.gonzalez@tmi-sa.org
- Summer at TMI also offers an extensive catalog of summer camps which involve many sports options. These can be found on the Summer at TMI website at <https://www.tmi-sa.org/summer-at-tmi>.

Athletic Practices

- Fall Upper School practices begin July 31st. On that date, football, cross country, cheerleading and volleyball are in-season and attendance for team members is mandatory. There will be varying hours for practices among the fall sports, so please contact the coaches above. Once school classes begin on August 17th, typical Upper School athletics practices will occur from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm, Monday-Friday with the occasional Saturday. For sports which span a school holiday such as Thanksgiving break, Christmas break, or spring break, those practice sessions will be communicated by the head coach of each sport. For reference, the starting dates for the winter and spring seasons are as follows: Winter – October 16th, Spring – January 15th.

Uniforms and Lockers

- For our athletes, practice gear is not provided. The expectation, however, is that all of our athletes wear TMI gear for both practices and contests. If you would like to purchase TMI gear for the upcoming school year, you may do so at the TMI Spirit Store located in the hallway of the Frost Athletic Center or via the Under Armour Team Store (link to be sent in early summer). Team competition uniforms will be issued to the players by the Athletic Department prior to their first game/match. These uniforms must be returned at the end of each season.
- TMI will provide a locker room with full facilities (shower, toilet, lockers, changing areas, etc.) for the entire upper school student body. Locks will not be provided but are mandatory for students wishing to store any items, both TMI and/or personal, in their locker.

We hope this information has been helpful in planning your summer and look forward to meeting everyone in the new school year! If you have any questions regarding athletic teams or athletic procedures not mentioned above, please contact one of our Athletic Staff, and we will be sure to get back with you as soon as possible.

Thanks, and Go Panthers!

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