Weaver Spring Sports Information:

Hello Weaver Athletes & Families, below you will find information regarding your upcoming spring seasons at Weaver MS, coach information, start dates, etc. If you have any questions, be sure to listen to WMS morning announcements, contact your coach, or contact the athletic department.

OHSAA Spring Sports- OHSAA has set rules & regulations, plus start dates for all spring sports and that includes MS athletes and sports. Feb. 17th is the allowed start date for the following sports: B/G Track & Field, Softball, & B/G Lacrosse. Baseball & Boys Volleyball have been given a start date of Feb. 24th. Boys Tennis has been given the go ahead to start on March 10th per OHSAA. With that said, our coaches have determined that these dates will be the 1st date for Weaver Springs Sports per the coaches for each sport.

MS Track- 3/4- Track will start on Tuesday March 4th with boys meeting on Tuesday and Thursday that week and girls meeting on Wednesday and Friday of that week. There will be a parent meeting at the end of the practice on Friday evening. Track is an outdoor sport, please dress appropriately for outdoor practices. Boys Coach - Sam Stille – Girls Coach - Karen Lipp

MS Boys Lacrosse- 2/17- lacrosse has a parent meeting coming up the week of Feb. 10th, they will go over practices, schedules, etc. Practice times will be from 5-7 or when darkness comes before daylight savings time. After that, practices will be from 5:30-7:30 on the far practice field at Weaver. Please remember, lacrosse is an outdoor sport, please dress weather appropriately. If weather necessitates any indoor time, we will have some indoor time for both boys and girls lacrosse, usually in the 7-9 time slots. Coach - Josh Rose

MS Boys Volleyball- 2/24- BVB will start on the 24th and practice will be from 6-8 typically in the main gym. We have a new coach this season, she will go over practice times once teams are selected. Coaches -Hilary Wright & Ariel Miller

MS Softball- 2/24- MS Softball will start practices/tryouts on 2/24 immediately after school from 3-5 that 1st week, typically in the two gyms at Weaver. Right now there are only 32-35 girls signed up for softball on Final Forms, so we will have 2 teams for sure. It does not look like we will have a Flex team this season.

Coaches- 8th grade - Audrey Mowery, & 7th grade- Tonya Curry,

MS Baseball- 3/3 - Baseball will start on March 3rd, immediately after school that week, typically in the two gyms at Weaver. The number of teams that Weaver will offer will be dependent upon the number of boys signed up.

Coaches- John Klie & Sam Pierson

MS Girls Lacrosse 2/17 - Lacrosse will have a parent meeting the week of 2/10. At that meeting, schedules will be discussed, practice times, etc. Right now their planned practice times will be from 5:00-6:30 during the week. Please remember, lacrosse is an outdoor sport, please dress weather appropriately. If weather necessitates any indoor time, we will have some indoor time for both boys and girls lacrosse, usually in the 7-9 PM time slots. Coaches-Kelley Ross

MS Boys Tennis- 3/10 - Boys Tennis will practice from 3-4:30 daily. Coach David Banyots will give all necessary information to players.

<u>Final Forms</u>: Parents, please remember to sign up your athlete in Final Forms and to have uploaded your valid OHSAA Sports Physical to their Final Forms account. Both parent and student need to have a Final Forms account. All communication will come from your coach through Final Forms. Please make sure that you have emails set up correctly and that your student-athlete is checking email as well. Here is the link to the parent page on the Davidson/Weaver Athletic website.

https://www.hilliardschools.org/davidsonwildcats/parents/

Please refer to this website for any news, updates, schedules, & tickets for those sports that sell tickets to athletic events.

<u>Tickets & HTT (Home Town Ticketing)</u>- Weaver MS charges for the following spring sports events: *Track & Field, B/G Lacrosse, & Boys Volleyball*. Tickets can be purchased online through the HTT site(via the athletic website listed above) or purchased at the gate with cash. Cost of an adult ticket for any MS event is \$5 and the cost for a student ticket for any MS event is \$4. There is a processing fee for the online purchase, but it is a minimal charge.

Choosing a sport to try out for: We have multiple students in Final Forms that have chosen every spring sport. For example, there are 3 girls sports offered in the spring at WMS, and multiple athletes have signed up for Track, Lacrosse, and Softball. Logistically that is not going to be possible in the springtime, to be on multiple teams. However, due to the different start dates and some of our sports are cut sports, you can try out for one sport and then move to another. For example, softball, and then go to track due to being cut from softball, that is allowed. Please make sure that you clean up your list for your student-athlete with their sport choice. This will make it easier for the coaches and also it will prevent you from getting charged multiple times for the participation fees.

Eligibility reminder- Spring sports will have 2 grade checks. It is like winter in regards to eligibility and number of grade checks. The 3rd nine weeks will end on March 8th, which means that grades are typically due to be submitted by the next Wednesday or Thursday and then we have 5 school days to complete those eligibility checks. We need accurate rosters before teams can be made. A Feb. 26th start date, for example, we will need to check grades initially to make sure all athletes can try out. We will then check grades in mid-March for the final time of the 23/24 school year. Please make sure that your student athletes are up to date with their coursework and are meeting their eligibility requirements. For students in grades 7-9, students must have at least a 1.5 GPA to be eligible. Anything under the 1.5 deems them ineligible. Middle School students must be enrolled in and passing 4 classes. HS students must be taking and passing 5, one credit classes. If a student has a GPA of a 1.5 to a 1.749999 they will be on Academic Probation, which means we will do a weekly grade check to determine their eligibility for the upcoming week. When students become 10th graders, that GPA requirement moves up to a 1.75 to be eligible. This is where Final Forms comes into play, making sure rosters are accurate, kids are signed up for the correct sports, etc.

<u>Participation fees-</u> Please make sure that you pay your fees before your 1st real game or contest. MyPaymentsPlus is the site we use for the participation fees. They choose the dates they open up for spring sports payments and it will be **March 1st for all spring sports.** Please do not try to pay until March 1st, it will give you an error. March 1st is our date for spring sports fees.