# 2012 MCHS XC PARENT TEAM MEETING AGENDA Wednesday, 8/22/12 starting 5:30 PM (MCHS West Bleachers)

## Welcome / Introduction

Greg: -Introduce our Coaching Staff + MCHS XC Team Philosophy

# What to expect during the 2012 season (1 Hour)

Greg: -Athlete Expectations: 1) Show Up, 2) Work Hard/Have Fun, 3) Be A Good Teammate

- -Commitment = Need to make all practices/commitments and communicate any exceptions
  - -Missing more than 6 events throughout the season = athlete can be removed from roster!
- -No Cuts! ...But, every member of our team must "earn" their racing jersey

#### **Greg:** 2012 Season Schedule Overview + intro to the extended members of MCHS XC Staff:

- -Tahoe Camp (done, but make sure to get it on your schedule for next year!)
- -24 Hour Run-A-Thon fund raiser this Saturday, 8/25 starting at 8AM
  - -Jennifer Jensen: Fund Raising Coordinator
  - -Melanie Bartlett: Provide contact information TODAY to support driving to parks
  - -Kristina Gunderson: Sign-up Pasta Feeds TODAY + End of Season Celebration (TBD)
  - -Todd VanDenburg: Team and individual photos

#### Ruben:

- -Overview of our sport, quirks, acronyms (i.e. PRs) + history of MCHS CROSS COUNTRY!
- -Communication during the season: www.mchsxc.blogspot.com

### **Greg/Ruben/Sheryl**: OUR SPORT IS HARD!

- -What to do when (not if) your son/daughter complains of soreness or injury
- -Refer local Sports Medicine Professionals; good for treatment/prevention of running injuries
- -OK for Steve P. to add ~5 minutes; encourage Parents to contact him directly (?)

**Greg/Ruben:** Helping/encouraging your athlete without obsessing = parent perspective. This is one of the toughest sports to do, but your child will be getting very clear/objective feedback on their performance! -Hope to establish and work towards goals for entire ~80 runner roster!

**Ruben/Sheryl:** Does your athlete eat right? -Drink enough? -Have the right running gear? -Watches are mandatory for everyone this year + will need solid black shorts. We will also be providing athletes more info on nutrition, the "science" behind our training and PPG (Personalized Pacing Guide) throughout the season. -Please encourage your son/daughter to keep a running log!

**Sheryl:** <u>Cross Training</u> overview; goal is to developed balanced athletes (it's not all about running!); two times/week throughout the entire season!

**Greg:** Parents = we need help; sign up TODAY for MCHS host meets (mark course/assist finish line):

- -Tuesday, 10/9 hosting meet at Spring Lake (boat dock) = need 10 people there by 2:45!
- -Wednesday, 10/24 hosting meet at MCHS = need 8 people there by 3:00!
- -PAC representative; someone to attend monthly Board Meetings (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each Month)

#### ...Questions?