

Dear Upper School Families,

As middle school fall sports come to a close, we are now preparing for the winter sports season. This winter, we are offering the following sports:

- HS Boys and Girls Basketball
- MS Boys and Girls Basketball

Middle school boys basketball starts first with tryouts on October 2 and 3, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in our gymnasium. High school boys and girls have their tryouts the week of November 18. And finally, middle school girls basketball will have their tryouts December 16-17.

STUDENTS CANNOT TRY-OUT OR PRACTICE UNTIL THESE STEPS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED:

- **Submit documentation of a sports physical** to Mr. Helms in the Main Office. (You may use your health provider's form, or use [this one](#).) If you already have one on file that is less than a year old, you do not need to resubmit this.
- **Pay fee and sign/initial mandatory forms:**
 - **Check or credit card:** Use [My School Bucks](#), where you can sign forms and pay (with no processing fee) all at one time
 - **Cash:** Print out the [Student Athletic Activities Information and Signature Pages](#), fill them out, and submit them along with your cash payment to the Business Office, located in the Main Office.

We will accept paperwork and payment (either electronically or in the office) beginning now through 4:00 p.m. on Friday, September 27 for the Middle School Boys basketball program. We will publish registration deadlines for the other basketball teams as we approach the tryout dates.

All parents and students who are interested in playing or learning more about the various basketball teams are asked to attend a mandatory Winter Sports Information Meeting on Monday, October 7, at 5:45 p.m. At least one parent/guardian per athlete and all winter athletes themselves are expected to attend this one-hour meeting which will be held in the Auditorium. At this meeting, coaches will hand out practice and game schedules for the season (as much as has been confirmed), presentations will be made about safety protocols and parent/athlete expectations, and sign-ups will take place for various parent volunteer opportunities. We hope you find this format efficient and informative for you and your child as you begin this new sports season.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at jmuehlbauer@maclarenschool.org. Go Highlanders!

All the best,

Joe Muehlbauer
Athletic Director