

St. Bernadette Athletic Association 2008-2009 Athletic Program Registration

The athletic programs at St. Bernadette School are open to all students in the designated grades for a particular sport. Participation of the student athlete is contingent upon payment for the program and submission of completed forms (medical release and emergency information) **PRIOR** to the first practice. All student athletes and their families are expected to abide by the SBAA bylaws and the Diocese of Pittsburgh rules and regulations regarding athletic programs. St. Bernadette School Athletic Association will be registering the following teams this school year: fall soccer, cross country, basketball, spring soccer and track. We are also investigating the possibility of initiating a volleyball team this spring.

SBAA is a volunteer athletic association and requires your support with fundraising and other activities planned during the year. Fundraising activities include the Innisbrook Gift Wrap Sale, the Spaghetti Dinner and the Lourdes Center concession stand. These activities are necessary to provide quality programs and equipment for our student athletes, in addition to providing financial support for the Lourdes Center. Parents/guardians of all school students are considered members of the Association and are an integral part of our programs. If you have experience coaching and would like to assist with any of our programs, please contact Ann Salemi, SBAA President.

Information regarding specific sport/team registration will be sent to all pertinent school families via email or school mail. Only one medical release form and one emergency information form is necessary per student athlete, regardless of the number of sports/teams they register for. Athletes may begin practice when both completed forms are returned to the Association and payment has been received. The release forms may be downloaded from the St. Bernadette School website (www.stbernadette-school.org) or obtained from the school office.

Registration for the fall soccer and cross country teams will begin prior to the start of school. All interested athletes and parents are requested to attend the registration meeting on Tuesday, August 5th at 7:00pm in the Lourdes Center cafeteria. Athletes can register for the teams, return completed medical and emergency information forms and submit payment. In addition, coaches from both teams will be available to discuss the details of the programs and answer any questions from parents or students.

The Fall Soccer registration fee is \$40 per athlete. Students in grades 4th-8th are eligible to participate. St. Bernadette School will be registering a JV and varsity team (both coed).

The Cross Country registration fee is \$40 per athlete. Students in grades Kindergarten-8th are eligible to participate. St. Bernadette School will be registering a novice, JV and varsity team (all coed).

The Athletic Association is committed to providing quality athletic programs for our students this year. Our goals are to increase parental involvement, broaden our athlete base, and reach out to our younger student athletes. We welcome any comments, questions or concerns you may have throughout the year. Please do not hesitate to contact the Board. Thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to seeing your child(ren) participate in our programs.

2008-2009 St. Bernadette School Athletic Association Board

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