

# Fall 2020– 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Crusader Soccer



## REGISTRATIONS/PHYSICALS/PAYMENT FOR ALL SPORTS ARE DUE BEFORE STARTING PRACTICE

### General Information

- Registration is online! Please visit <https://cathedralcrusaders.org/student-life/fall-sports-at-cathedral/>
- Game Schedules can be found by visiting the CHS website at <https://cathedralcrusaders.org/student-life/fall-sports-at-cathedral/>. You can select your sport under “Fall” and find a schedule you can download, or, click “School Calendar” on the right hand side and you can select a specific date, or select an entire schedule.
- Student athletes must maintain adequate academic standards as determined by their school in order to participate.
- Weather cancellations will be announced at the schools and e-mailed by 1:30pm whenever possible.
- Email communication to parents will happen if there is a change in games/practices. These announcements are also made at school and to the teams. **We will communicate with you, but your athlete is ultimately responsible for sharing information with you.**
- Important websites:
  - [www.cathedralcrusaders.org/athletics-activities](http://www.cathedralcrusaders.org/athletics-activities) (choose Fall or School Calendar)
  - [www.graniteridgeconference.org](http://www.graniteridgeconference.org) (scroll for maps of conference schools)
- Your athlete must have a current (taken within the last 3 years) physical on file at Cathedral BEFORE they will be allowed to participate. Please mail or drop off physicals to the Activities Office (S101) at Cathedral.
- If you would like to apply for financial aid or make payments, please register your student athlete online and under the fall heading, choose "Special Consideration." After filling out the form, you will then receive an email from the Activities Office to discuss payment options or aid. After being contacted, your athlete will be registered.
- Please honor the coaches time by promptly picking up your athlete after practices and games, they will wait until each athlete is picked up, so please be courteous.
- Team pictures will be scheduled, your athlete will bring home a form once the season begins.

### Bus/Transportation Info:

- Transportation will be provided to games/meets as well as practices (included in fee). Parents will need to pick up their athlete after every practice at Whitney Soccer Fields (far north side of Whitney - field 11, next to the soccer field with lights).
- Students will also be transported back to CHS following out of town games. Transportation home from ‘in town’ games/meets (North JH, South JH, Sauk Rapids, Sartell, St. John’s Prep, Kennedy and Whitney) must be arranged for by parents/guardians as the bus will NOT bring them back to CHS. **If the athlete is NOT riding the bus back from the game/meet, the athlete may ONLY ride back with their parents and the parents must provide the coach with a note.**
- **Location:** The buses for both practice and games will leave right after school each day at 3:15pm (you will be emailed the bus location prior as we are going to adjust for construction). Get on the bus right after school. **Soccer players MUST change into their practice/game clothes before loading the bus as there is only a port-a-potty at Whitney.** Julie Murphy will be there to get them on the correct bus, so just go out to the buses after changing (in the Center Gym locker room, Ms. Flynn can give you a lock for your locker on the first day of school if you don’t have your lock yet).
- **Bus Rules:** Riding the bus is a privilege, not a right. If an athlete cannot conduct themselves on the bus responsibly, we will have them find alternate transportation (parents). If an athlete misses the bus, they CANNOT walk to practice, they must call for a ride or miss practice. Bus etiquette – get in your seat, stay in your seat. Pick up your garbage, put your window up before you get off the bus... and thank the driver!

- **Food on bus:** Athletes may have a snack on the bus, but please remember that we are a Peanut safe campus and that includes games and bus rides. **Food on bus:** Athletes may have a small snack on the bus, but please remember that we are a PEANUT SAFE Campus which also extends to bus rides and sporting events. The a-la-carte line will make a bag lunch for athletes for \$5. If students would like to order a bag lunch (game days), they need to order in the a-la-carte line before school and pick it up in the a-la-carte line after school. Their lunch account will be charged \$5 for this.
- **Return times:** Bus return times will be listed on the schedule for out-of-town games. After these games your athlete will be dropped off at the North Gym at Cathedral. If there is not a bus return time listed, it is an 'in-town' game and you should pick up your athlete at that school (or Whitney for home games). The bus return times listed on the schedule **are only an approximation...** sometimes the busses will be earlier or later. **Please be flexible.** ☺
- **Laptops:** When we have away games, please have your athlete leave their laptop locked up in their school locker, this is the safest spot for their laptop. At home games and practices, they should put their laptops in or by their bags.

### 7th/8th grade Soccer

**Coaches:** Tanner Schmidt & Jack Petroske

**Practices:** Practice starts on Sept. 1st on field 11 at Whitney (far north side by the Varsity game field.). 7th and 8th graders are invited to come to the high school practices which start on August 17th (if they are registered prior). Starting early isn't required, but a fun way to meet the older players and work with the high school coaches.

**Practice times/dates:** Practices are Monday through Friday from 3:30-5:00pm

**Participation Cost:** \$175

**Equipment:** shorts/sweatpants, t-shirt, tennis shoes or cleats, shin guards. You will receive a blue jersey to use for the season (return at last game). You must provide your own shin guards and shorts for games. Most students wear black or royal blue shorts and royal blue, white or gold socks, but any color is acceptable. Please dress for the weather.

**Teams:** If there are enough athletes for two teams, they will be split into equal ability teams.

\*Athletes should bring a filled water bottle to each practice and game.

\***WE ALWAYS need soccer officials** – if you are willing, or know someone who is, we are hiring! And, if you or one of your kids who isn't playing would like to shag balls at the junior high games, please let the coach know – the officials and coaches would surely appreciate it!

If you have any concerns/questions, please contact Julie Murphy at 257-2120 or [jmurphy@cathedralcrusaders.org](mailto:jmurphy@cathedralcrusaders.org) or Emmett Keenan at 257-2130 or [ekeenan@cathedralcrusaders.org](mailto:ekeenan@cathedralcrusaders.org).

Parents,

Please support your athlete, your athlete's coaches, and their officials. Everyone is trying their best and we can all agree that we want these athletes to succeed, enjoy being on a team, and learn to win and lose graciously.

Please be a good role model to these athletes. Yelling at coaches, officials and other athletes paints a negative picture of what good sportsmanship is. Just as you do everyday, please continue to be a great example for your child and their teammates. Together, let's make a good representation of Cathedral, St. Cloud Christian and Prince of Peace schools, not only to our athletes, but to others in the community.

I look forward to meeting your athlete this season and watching them learn and grow as they progress through 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade and into high school. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Emmett Keenan.

Go Crusaders!

~Julie Murphy

