

# St. Irene Extra-Curricular Sports Registration

Dear Parents,

Sports registration begins in April by simply filling out the attached registration forms and sending them with payment (checks made to St. Irene) to the office in an envelope marked Sports Registration. Please register one child per form. Registration without late fees ends Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. **New this year, if your child will not be participating in sports this year, please return the registration form with the appropriate line checked.** Fees for sports this year are as follows:

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| Boys and Girls Cross Country | \$30.00 |
| Boys and Girls Volleyball    | \$60.00 |
| Boys and Girls Basketball    | \$60.00 |
| Boys and Girls Track         | \$30.00 |

We are offering multiple sport and multiple child discounts, \$150.00 maximum per student and \$285.00 maximum per family. In other words, if you register before April 29<sup>th</sup> and have a son or daughter who would like to participate in cross country, volleyball, basketball and track, you would pay \$150.00. If you register before April 29<sup>th</sup> and have two or more children who would like to play those same sports, the maximum your family would pay is \$285.00. If you register after April 29<sup>th</sup> you will incur late fees which will cause your fees to exceed the maximum listed above.

It is not the intention of the St. Irene Athletic Association to deny participation to anyone. If a family encounters a hardship the fee may be reduced, or a payment plan can be set up. Please call the school office before the April 29<sup>th</sup> deadline; this will remain a confidential matter handled by Mrs. White. The Athletic Association intends that every child should have the opportunity to participate in sports regardless of their financial situation.

The St. Irene Athletic Association has had to make some very difficult decisions pertaining to our volleyball and basketball programs. Based on the limited number of students in some grades, we have had to combine grades to form teams. The Suburban Parochial League requires us to declare the number of volleyball teams we will enter in the league by the second week of June. The DuPage Parochial League requires us to declare the number of basketball teams we will enter in the league by the first week of September. The Athletic Board must make decisions on the number of teams we will enter in the league and the coaches necessary to field those teams at our board meetings prior to the June deadline. If you plan on participating in sports at St. Irene School, it's important to sign up by the April deadline. **If you are not planning on participating, please return the registration form with the appropriate line marked. This will help the board in planning for next year.**

Our leagues are very competitive. Many of our athletes attend summer sports camps. These camps work on the skills our athletes need to play at the level of competition that we will be facing each year. Please read the attached information regarding summer sports camps and consider enrolling your child this summer.

Please consider coaching this coming year. We need coaches for almost every sport at every level. Coaching offers an opportunity for you to spend time with your child and his or her friends doing something they enjoy. It's a very rewarding experience, merely fill out the attached coaching application and return it to the school office.

# FUNDRAISING

The Athletic Association has two major fundraisers. The first is our Annual Golf Outing which takes place in the fall and our Annual Chili Cook-Off which takes place in late January or early February. All sports families are encouraged to volunteer to help those events remain successful.

Our program expenses continue to rise each year. We pay hourly for gym rental at the park district; which includes practice time and game time. We pay volleyball and basketball referees, scorekeepers, and league fees. We need to replace worn equipment every year. Our fundraisers require many hours of planning by dedicated board members. We encourage parents to join us in the planning of these two events.

# CROSS COUNTRY

Boys and Girls Cross Country begins the Saturday of Labor Day week-end with the annual St. Irene Running with the Panthers Meet held at Summerlakes Park in Warrenville. Parents of team members are required to work at this home meet. The Suburban Parochial League meets run five consecutive Saturdays. Meets generally begin at 9:00 and finish around noon. There are also invitational meets hosted by St. Francis High School and Montini High School. These meets are on Wednesdays and usually begin at 4:00. Practices begin three weeks before the first meet and are held at various locations including the Warrenville Prairie Path, Herrick Lake, Blackwell Forest Preserve and Summerlakes Park. Many of our students run cross country and play volleyball. Keep this in mind when registering.

- ***The last day to register for Cross Country is Friday, April 29, 2011.***
- *After that date we will accept registration without late fees from new school families only.*
- *After that date all current families will be accepted if openings exist and will be assessed an additional 50% late fee.*

# VOLLEYBALL

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Based on the number of girls interested in playing volleyball we will field as many teams as possible. There may be more than one team at a grade level (an "A" and "B" team) in which case there may be an evaluation night to determine team rosters. Our varsity level teams are very competitive, unlike the younger grades. When a varsity level coach has the opportunity, he or she will play to win the game.

Girls Suburban Parochial League (SPL) games begin the week-end after Labor Day and continue until early November. The 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams begin practicing three weeks before their first game. A 5<sup>th</sup> grade team can begin practicing four weeks before their first game.

All games in the SPL are played on Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays. On some week-ends there may be more than one game.

- ***The last day to register for volleyball is Friday, April 29, 2011.***
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## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Based on the number of boys interested in playing volleyball we will field as many teams as possible. There may be more than one team at a grade level (an "A" and "B" team) in which case there may be an evaluation night to determine team rosters. Our varsity level teams are very competitive, unlike the younger grades. When a varsity level coach has the opportunity, he or she will play to win the game.

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# BASKETBALL

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Based on the number of boys interested in playing basketball we will field as many teams as possible. There may be more than one team at a grade level (an "A" and "B" team) in which case there may be an evaluation night to determine team rosters. Our varsity level teams are very competitive, unlike the younger grades. When a varsity level coach has the opportunity, he or she will play to win the game.

DuPage Parochial League (DPL) basketball games for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders generally begin the Sunday of Thanksgiving week-end. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders first game is generally the first week-end in December. The 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams start practicing three weeks before their first game and 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys can begin to practice four weeks before their first game. Regular season games end in the middle of February with the post season tournament finishing in mid March. All games are played on Friday nights, Saturdays or Sundays. On some week-ends there may be more than one game.

- ***Registration for all basketball teams will end Friday, April 29, 2011.***
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# TRACK

Boys and Girls Suburban Parochial League track meets run five consecutive Saturdays counting backwards from the Saturday preceding Memorial Day week-end. There are no meets on Easter Saturday. Parents of team members are required to volunteer at least once during the season. The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders participate in the morning usually from 8:30 - 11:30 and the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in the afternoon from 12:00 - 4:00. Sometimes meets run long so be flexible.

- ***Registration for track will end Friday, April 29, 2011.***
- *After that date we will accept registration without late fees from new school families only.*
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## UNIFORMS

All volleyball and basketball players are required to purchase a uniform. Volleyball uniform t-shirts have been in the price range of \$15.00-\$20.00. Typically a player buys them large enough to last two years. Basketball uniform reversible jerseys cost \$35.00 last year and typically players buy them large enough to last two years. Uniform shorts cost \$15.00 last year and are worn for all four sports. The uniforms are yours to keep when the season is over. The prices may be a little higher next year.

Cross country and track singlets are provided by the St. Irene Athletic Association. A \$25.00 deposit is returned to you at the end of the season when the singlet is returned in good condition.

## HEALTH PHYSICALS

All athletes are required by the St. Irene Athletic Association and the Diocese of Joliet to have a physical on file that is less than one year old.

- **Physicals must be turned in by the first day of practice. No athlete can begin practicing without a current physical. Fall sports begin practicing in early August.**
- Please make your appointment as soon as possible so your child will not miss valuable practice time.
- School physicals can be used for sports.

## MISCELLANEOUS FORMS

Prior to the 2011-2012 sports year the following forms in the Athletic Handbook need to be filled out and returned to the school office.

The Athletic Handbook is available on the St. Irene School website. Please take time to read it carefully. Copies of the handbook are also available in the office.

- A transportation permission slip is available for you to fill out so your child may be car-pooled to events.
- Parents are required to fill out an insurance waiver.
- Students, Coaches and Parents will need to sign a Code of Conduct specific to them. This is to assure the St. Irene Athletic Association that all involved families know what is expected of them as a member of a St. Irene School Team.
- Each family and coach will be required to sign Appendix H of the handbook and send it to the school office in an envelope marked Athletic Director.
- **All forms must be turned in by the first day of practice in order to practice with your team. Fall sports begin practicing in early August. Forms may be turned in with your registration.**

# St. Irene Extra-Curricular Sports

## Registration Form

Please register one child per form.

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|-----------------|--|
| Student Name    |  |
| Grade this fall |  |
| Phone Number    |  |
| Cell Phone      |  |
| E-mail Address  |  |

**Check every sport for which you are registering:**

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|--|--|---------|
|  | Cross Country                                | \$30.00 |
|  | Girls Volleyball                             | \$60.00 |
|  | Boys Volleyball                              | \$60.00 |
|  | Girls Basketball                             | \$60.00 |
|  | Boys Basketball                              | \$60.00 |
|  | Track  | \$30.00 |
|  | <b>Not participating in sports this year</b> |         |

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|-------------------------|---|----|
| Registration Amount Due | <i>Not to exceed \$150.00 per child and \$285.00 per family.</i>                            | \$ |
| Total Late Fees Due     | <i>Late fees are 50% per sport after April 29, 2011 and may exceed the discounts above.</i> | \$ |
| Total Amount Due        | Check #   | \$ |

***Registration without late fees ends  
Friday, April 29, 2011 for all sports.***