



June 13, 2021

Good Morning All,

I hope this finds you all well after your first week of summer break!

John Bapst Summer sports programming will begin the week of June 21st. Please stay tuned for various announcements from the athletic department and your coaches about the summer schedules for each sport in the coming week.

Summer workouts, practices, and competitions are completely voluntary. Mandatory practices will not begin (for the fall) until August 16. However, these summer sessions offer many benefits to both the individual athlete and the team. Summer activities are a great way to bond with teammates, work on your individual skills, and get in better shape. Increased participation in the summer will make us all better for our regular seasons during the school year. Your coaches work hard to put together schedules that allow for flexibility and help you improve. Please take advantage of your opportunities!

The health and safety of our students is our top priority at John Bapst. We will continue to follow CDC, DOE, MPA, and state mandates and guidelines during the summer. For this summer that will mean filling out a John Bapst COVID-19 Assumption of Risk Form (attached) before you begin your first session. You should do a daily screening for any COVID-19 symptoms before you go to a workout. If you have any symptoms you should stay home and communicate those symptoms with your coach. If you come in contact with anyone who is positive for COVID-19, or should you test positive yourself, please notify your coach and the Athletic Director immediately. While we do not need to wear masks while we train outside, until June 30th, when training inside we will need to wear a face covering. As we turn the calendars to July, and the state mandate expires, we will not need masks. In the

meantime, we will continue to try to be as distant as possible, sanitize regularly, and bring our own water (lots of it) to our workouts. Thank you!

The new fitness room in the Darling Center is still receiving some finishing touches. The ongoing process will require us to continue to be patient just a little while longer before the new room is open. We are excited to be able to open the basketball gymnasium in the new building on Monday, 6/21! Again, details will be forthcoming.

We are very excited to get started and we will be ready a week from Monday! Talk with your teammates, bring your classmates, and get ready to work hard and have fun improving this summer! We wish you all the best of luck!

GO CRUSADERS!

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