2021-22 GMHS Boys Lacrosse Reminders

October

- 1) Attend our preseason player/parent meeting.
- 2) Register on our team website (gmlax.leagueapps.com). You will need to register for Spring 2022 (EVERYONE, ASAP!).
- 3) Preseason indoor practices at the Foothills Fieldhouse begin on Wednesdays and Fridays. We have 30 sessions from Oct-Feb. The cost is \$150 per player, payable by check written to "GM foundation- Boys lacrosse" ("Player name- preseason practices" on the memo line).
 - Fall/winter league players MUST participate in our Preseason practices.
 - Fieldhouse practice dates/times- October 27 and 29th. (Wednesday 4:30-6pm, Friday 4-5pm)
- 4) Preseason League Details: Pre-season Fall and winter leagues, and indoor practices:
- We will field 1 lower level team in the Fall (Nov-Dec), and 2 teams in the Winter (Jan-Feb). Some players will be invited to "swing" and play on both teams for the Winter League; I will contact you if that is the case.
- Players MUST complete waivers for EACH LEAGUE and TEAM.
- Pay \$100 per league by check to "GM foundation- Boys lacrosse" ("Player name- 'reason' " on the memo line)

November

- 1) Speed/Strength training at GMHS- November 1, 8, 15, and 29th. (Mondays 3:30-5pm)
- 2) Fieldhouse practice dates/times- November 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, and 19th. (Wednesdays 4:30-6pm, Fridays 4-5pm)
- 3) Fall league begins Nov 6th at Foothills Sports Arena (FSA)- Games are on Saturdays through December 18th (off for Thanksgiving break). **Schedule link:** www.teamsideline.com/ifoothills
- 4) Helmet order- \$240 (check to "GM Foundation- Boys Lacrosse" and "Player name- helmet" in memo). **Payment due by 12/1/21, can be given to Coach Nate or any Booster Board-member**.

December

- 1) Speed/Strength training at GMHS- December 6 and 13th. (Mondays 3:30-5pm)
- 2) Fieldhouse practice dates/times- December 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, and 17th. (Wednesdays 4:30-6pm, Fridays 4-5pm)
- 3) Fall league continues on Saturdays (Ends December 18th).

January

- 1) Speed/Strength training at GMHS- January 10, 24 and 31st (Mondays 3:30-5pm)
- 2) Fieldhouse/FSA practice dates/times- January 5, **7**, 12, **14**, 19, **21**, 26, and **28**th. (Wednesdays 4:30-6pm @FFieldhouse, **Fridays 4-5pm at FSA**)
- 3) Winter league begins January 8th at FSA- Games are on Saturdays. (Schedule: www.teamsideline.com/ifoothills)

February

- 1) Speed/Strength training at GMHS- February 7, and 14th. (Mondays 3:30-5pm)
- 2) Fieldhouse/FSA practice dates/times- February 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, and 25th. (Wednesdays 4:30-6pm @Fieldhouse, Fridays 4-5pm at FSA)
- 3) Winter league continues on Saturdays (Ends Feb 19th?).
- 4) <u>Spring Athletics Registration (SCHOOL PAPERWORK)</u>, <u>Opens Monday Feb 7th</u>, <u>DUE BY Monday Feb 21st</u>. This process is completed online through the GMHS website. ("athletic registration" tab once you are on the Athletics page)
- The following items must be on file <u>with GMHS</u> before an athlete may begin in-season practice:
 - a. b. Athletic Fee paid in full TO THE SCHOOL: \$175 (paid online in JeffCo Connect).
 - c. Physical must be complete in order to register.
 - **Fall/winter sport athletes- Still need to register/pay for lacrosse!
 - **Non-attending students- you do have a non-attending form that needs to be scan-emailed or handed-in to the athletics office.
- 5) First day of Spring Practice is Monday February 28th.
 - **TEAM PAPERWORK-** Must be completed and given to Coach Nate *prior* to the first official spring practice.
 - o a. Player self-assessment.
 - o b. Player/parent contract.
 - SPRING TEAM FEE- \$225. is due by February 28th and can be paid on our team website or by check to "GM foundation- Boys lacrosse"
 - o Fee covers: Equipment bags or pullover/sweats, helmet decals, pinnies, shooter shirt, and shorts for each player, coaches apparel, sunrise scrimmage costs, team meals, practice equipment (balls, goals, etc.), video costs, etc.
 - We will have indoor practices at FSA the first week of the season due to historically poor weather. (Times TBD)

March

- 1) Sunrise scrimmage is Saturday March 5th. PLAYERS WILL BE BUSY ALL DAY (6am-3pm).
- 2) Normal practice location/times (weather permitting): Green Mountain Elementary School, M-F 4-6pm, and Saturday (Varsity only) 9-11am. OR Turf Field at GMHS (times TBD)
- 3) <u>GMHS Spring Break: March 19th- March 27th.</u> All players will be off March 19th -23rd. <u>ALL PLAYERS WILL PRACTICE</u> Thursday-Friday, March 24th-25th

<u>April</u>

- 1) Normal practice location/time (weather permitting): GME, M-F 4-6pm, and Saturday 9-11am. OR Turf Field at GMHS (times TBD)
 - Prom is Saturday April 16th. Varsity practice is TBD for that morning.

May

- 1) Normal practice location/time (weather permitting): GME, M-F 4-6pm, and Saturday 9-11am.OR Turf Field at GMHS (times TBD)
 - Regular season ends on Saturday May 7th.
 - 4A/5A State Championship games are TBD.
- 2) Exit interviews- 1st practice date following your team's final game.
- 3) Uniform return- At Exit Interviews.
- 4) End of season banquet- At Baldoria on the Water, Date/Time TBD.

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1) Primary month for summer lacrosse tournaments and camps/clinics.

OTHER NOTES

- 1) Show up to your classes ON TIME, turn in your work ON TIME= good grades. Be nice to your teachers.
- 2) Go on college visits and get your dentist/doctor appointments taken care of before the season starts.
- 3) Do Outdoor Lab outside of lacrosse season.
- 4) Find good athletes (9-10th grade) to join us. Preseason practices are a great way for new players to try our game!
- 5) If you have younger brothers (or sisters) who might enjoy lacrosse, please have them get in touch with me so I can help connect them with area youth lacrosse programs.
- 6) **Parents:** Volunteer to assist the board during the season.

I need your help- you will enjoy it- your kid will benefit.

TEAM INFORMATION/RULES

- 1. Academic policy:
 - -Grades are reported to coaches on Wednesday/Thursday. Players have until Friday to improve F's and get signed proof by their teacher and the AD.
 - -Players are ineligible for the following week (Monday-Saturday) if they have >1 F at the end of school on Friday.
 - -Ineligible players must attend ALL PRACTICES AND GAMES despite being unable to play in games/ride on buses.
- *Note- I do encourage parents to set a higher academic standard for their son. You have my absolute support.
- 2. Team selection will take place over the first 3 practices (Feb 28th-March 2nd).
 - -Generally speaking (JV=9-10th, Var= 11-12th) and will adjust players up/down as appropriate.
- 3. Practice- The most important thing you do every day besides go to school.
 - -Players must inform their head coach if they need to miss practice.
 - -If a player has an unexcused absence- the player, parents, and head coach will meet to discuss further involvement with the program.
- 4. Game day dress code- Shirt, tie, khaki/dress pants, dress shoes (to school AND the location of the game).
 - -Players that fail to meet the dress code may not play, based on their coach's discretion.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP PROJECT

A community service/volunteer project that is completed by our team, but is selected, organized and led by our senior players. This project is traditionally done very early in the season. I would appreciate a parent volunteer to help by hosting a meeting at your house and providing minimal "adult guidance" (this really is a small time commitment).

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT

- 1) Players must have a matte-black lacrosse helmet, <u>colored mouth guard</u>, shoulder pads (NOCSAE CERTIFIED for 2022), elbow pads, gloves and **at least** one stick. (Rib pads, a cup, and a second stick are HIGHLY recommended).
- 2) Game Uniforms are owned by the booster club, and will be checked out at the start of the season and returned at the end. Players are responsible for the cost of any lost or significantly damaged Uniforms.

PRACTICE/GAME DETAILS

- 1) Practices are at Green Mountain Elementary School, (M-F) 4-6 pm, (S) 9-11am. OR Turf Field at GMHS (times TBD).
 - Will contact all players via Remind/text message in the event of any short-notice changes to practice/game times and locations.
 - Backup for weather is the parking lot/gym @ GMHS, or Foothills Fieldhouse/FSA (depending on our budget).
- 2) Home Varsity games are at Trailblazer Stadium/NAAC (no bus). A current schedule can be found on the school calendar.
- 3) Home JV games are on the Turf Field at GMHS.
- 4) Varsity and JV will ride a bus to/from games that are not at Trailblazer/NAAC/GMHS. (Pending availability)