

Blessed Sacrament Athletics 2025-2026

Everyone participating in athletics is expected to follow the guidelines below as well as the policies set forth in the BSS family handbook.

Athletic Fees, Uniforms and Equipment:

- Participation Fee: **\$100 per MAISL sport per athlete.**
- Uniforms: Blessed Sacrament uniforms must be worn to the games or your child will not be allowed to play.
 - Black athletic shorts that are provided by the school are required (boys and girls).
 - Spandex shorts are allowed for practice only—**not** in games or tournaments.
- Replacement Fee: If uniforms are not returned in a timely manner (1 week after the final game), or are returned in poor condition, the family will be billed the replacement cost via FACTS. Coaches are responsible for collecting, washing and returning.

Family Fundraising Commitment: All families whose children are participating in BSS athletics are required to participate in fundraising activities.

- **Spaghetti Dinner participation: Mandatory. Date: January 31st.** - all athletes and parents.
- **School Concessions** - One shift per athletic season per family.
 - Concession volunteer requirements would be fulfilled by being a coach. Participation in the Spaghetti Dinner would still be required.

Concussion Agreement - During registration, no signed form required. Please discuss with your athlete.

Expectations of Parents/Spectators:

- Display and exemplify Christian values, emphasizing teamwork, good sportsmanship, fun and self-esteem;
- Emphasize and model that sports are only one part of life, and winning as well as losing are opportunities for learning;
- Bring children to practices/games on time and pick up children on time;
- Inform coaching staff of any special concerns relating to athletics (asthma, injury, etc.);
- Watch your child play and cheer for the team;
- Let the coaches do the coaching and running of the team; if you have a concern, meet with them after practice or set up a time, during a game or after a game is not the time.
- Work with the coaches to resolve disciplinary problems;
- Realize that this is an all-volunteer organization and be respectful of those volunteering their time.
- **Any infraction of these expectations will result in removal from the game, and will impact the child's eligibility.**

Athlete Conduct and Disciplinary Code: Serious infractions of school rules will be referred directly to the school principal for disciplinary action. In the event of minor infractions, the coach will:

- Provide a verbal warning;
- Send a note home to parent/guardian, to be signed and returned to coach;
- Determine, in consultation with parent/guardian, if additional discipline is required.

Expectations of Student Athletes:

Participation in school athletics is a privilege, not a right. To earn that privilege, students must:

- Live up to their responsibilities at school, complete assigned homework, be cooperative in class and maintain a C- or higher in all classes. Eligibility to practice and participate in games is based on grades in FACTS each Monday of the playing season.
- Commit to the Team: Students must be committed to attending the majority of practices and games. When students miss games and practices, it leaves the BSS team short players, and is not fair to the other athletes. Please let Mrs. C know if your child is in another sport or activity that potentially could conflict.
- Attendance: Students must be marked "present" at school to participate in practice or play in a game after school or in the evening.
- Playing Time: If a student regularly attends practices and games, they may expect to play, at a minimum, one-quarter or more of the total playing time.
- Act in a Christian manner with coaches, team members, opponents;
- Learn the rules of the game and be aware of their responsibilities as a member of a team;
- Arrive at games/practices on time;
- Respect property at home and away games;
- Communicate with and treat coaches, players, officials, etc. with respect;
- Talk to their parents/guardians about problems they are experiencing regarding coaches and/or teammates;
- Come to games ready to play and in uniform (playing time could be compromised if an athlete is missing a component of the uniform or required equipment.)
- Any infraction of these expectations, either by the student or their parent(s), will result in removal from the game, and impact the player's future eligibility.

I understand that by joining Blessed Sacrament athletics, I agree to keep my grades up, respect coaches, teammates and opponents, and if I do not, I can become ineligible for at least one week of practices and games.