



# Brandon Junior Blackhawks

## “What’s Happening” News Letter Vol-0

On behalf of the Board I’d like to welcome each of our new and returning families to the 2017 Brandon Jr. Blackhawks. Last year we celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary season! This year we are excited to continue working towards the next 25 years of BJB which starts right now...

Throughout the season parents can expect to receive this newsletter via email usually on Thursday’s to help keep everyone informed about the upcoming events for that weekend and leading into the following week.

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### **Upcoming Events:**

**Registration:** Online registration opens February 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 at [www.brandonjrblackhawks.com](http://www.brandonjrblackhawks.com)  
For the 2017 season registration will be on a first come first serve basis. We have set a limit of “26” football athletes per team to allow for more one on one interaction and instruction with the coaching staff. This will also provide additional opportunities for more playing time in games. However as we do not want any child that is interested in playing left out, we will open registration to fill a second JV and Freshman team after the first teams have been filled.

**Town Hall Informational Meetings:** Are scheduled from 6-8pm at the Brandon Library on February 15<sup>th</sup>, March 15<sup>th</sup> and April 19<sup>th</sup>. While these meetings are an opportunity for new families interested in the program to learn more or to speak with any of our staff members we also encourage any returning families to stop in and speak with us if they have are questions, would like to discuss the program or need assistance with registration, (these meetings are not mandatory to attend).

**Pre-season Practices:** Our pre-season practices consist of a total of 15hrs, We are currently determining the schedule and will make it available as soon as possible.

**Pre-season scrimmage:** TBD, Usually a week prior to the first game.

**Regular Season Practices** begin on July 31<sup>st</sup> at Varsity Field. For the first week only, Football will practice Monday thru Friday 6-9pm, effective August 7<sup>th</sup> Football practices will be Monday thru Thursday from 6-9pm and will reduce to 6-8:30pm effective September 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Pep rally/Game Jersey handout** will be on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, at this point Football athletes will receive their Game jerseys.

**NOTE: All remaining paperwork (Signed registration cards, copies of current physicals & birth certificate) are due prior to athletes participating at camp or practice.**

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**Season Game Schedule** – The 2017 season schedule will not be available until June after team divisions are drawn and each franchise has confirmed their home game dates are scheduled with the respective school districts.

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### **Required Equipment**

Each family is required to provide their athlete an athletic supporter with cup, practice sock’s, cleats, and mouth guard. Many athletes prefer to have their own girdle which is optional but highly recommended.

**Mouth guards** cannot be white or clear and must have a strap to attach it to the helmet, as the kids tend to chew on them which will reduce the protection they provide it is recommended a spare also be obtained.

**Cleats** must be the rubber non-removable type, NO METAL CLEATS ARE ALLOWED and should be as close to all black or blue as possible. Black and white, black and blue or blue and white are acceptable.

\*\*\*\*\*IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE DON'T HESSITATE TO ASK\*\*\*\*\*