



# Brandon Junior Blackhawks

## “What’s Happening” News Letter Vol-1

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 Football parents can expect to receive the “What’s Happening” newsletter and Cheer Parents the “Cheer Chat” newsletter via email usually by Thursday’s to help keep everyone informed about the upcoming events for that weekend and into the following week.

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### Upcoming Events:

**Town Hall Informational Meeting:** Is scheduled from 6-8pm at the Brandon Library on March 15<sup>th</sup>. We encourage any new or returning families to stop in and speak with us if they have any questions or would like to discuss the program.

**Burst of Speed:** Former Brandon Coach Higdon of Burst of Speed has presented a special offer to our football athletes to assist them with conditioning prior to the start of the season.

There will be a workout demonstration at 10am at Belle Ann Elementary on Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> where Coach Higdon will present what his program offers.

If there are any questions please contact Coach Higdon: 248.978.3018 coachhigdon@gmail.com

**Open House – Meet and Greet:** April 22<sup>nd</sup> 6-8pm at Varsity field located behind A&W, Athletes and parents will meet the BJB coaches and Staff. Athletes will have free time use of the field to get to know their team mates and hot dogs & chips will be available.

**Cheer Parent Night/Uniform Sizing:** This is a **MANDATORY** meeting it will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Brandon Middle School gym. There will be a short presentation and athletes will be fitted for their Camp shirts, Uniforms and shoes.

**Football Parent Night/Jersey Sizing:** This is a **MANDATORY** meeting it will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Brandon Middle School gym. There will be a short presentation and athletes will be fitted for their Camp Shirts and game jerseys.

**Skills Camp:** Will be held on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> from 9am-noon at the Brandon High School stadium. Football Athletes will conduct various drills and Cheerleaders will begin learning cheers with the assistance of the Brandon Varsity athletes.

Camp T-shirts will be issued to registered players. Athletes should wear comfortable shorts and running shoes.

**NOTE: All remaining paperwork (Signed registration cards, code of conduct & concussion forms, copies of current physicals and birth certificates) and final account balances are due by June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

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### Football 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 with pads built in 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 reducing the protection they provide it is recommended a spare also be obtained. Periodic reminders will be sent out during the season reminding everyone to check for worn down mouth guards.

**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\*\*\*\*\*