

Brandon Junior Blackhawks

"What's Happening" News Letter Vol-5

We hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July Holiday. It's hard to believe our 2017 season begins in only 2 more weeks and we are anxiously waiting to get started. If you haven't already please visit our new website at http://www.brandonjrblackhawks.com/ to see more information about our programs including the 2017 practice and game schedules that have been posted. **Please create an account!** We will be transitioning our communications to that website only over the next few weeks and it will include the volunteer shift sign up's. If there is any feedback regarding the new website please let us know, we are striving to make it a single point for information to keep everyone up to date with what's happening.

Upcoming Events:

NOTE: All account balances need to be up to date and paperwork (registration cards, code of conduct & concussion forms, copies of current physicals and birth certificates) need to be turned in prior to equipment being issued or athletes being allowed to participate.

Football Equipment Handout: Is planned for Friday July 21st beginning at 6pm at the "shed" at Varsity field. Football athletes will be issued Helmets, Shoulder pads, protective gear including knee pads, thigh pads, hip pads & tail pad. **An adult must be present to sign for the equipment**.

Brandon Football Camp: will be on July 17th, 18th & 19th at BHS Stadium. Please see attached "Brandon Camp" document for more details.

Pre-Season Football Camp: will be on July 24th, 25th & 26th at Varsity Dr. Field from 6-9pm. Football athletes will wear <u>Helmets only until August 3rd</u>, with shorts, T-shirts and cleats. Please remember to send water for your athlete (make sure their name is on water bottles).

Pre-Season Cheer Camp: will be on July 25th, 26th & 27th at Varsity Dr. Field from 6-8pm. Mascots will practice on July 25th and 27th only.

The camp day on July 27th will be a "Cheer Family Night", Families of our Cheer athletes are invited to join our cheer leaders to learn their cheers and to participate in a fun practice session.

- Please remember to send water for your athlete (make sure their name is on water bottles).
- Make sure your cheerleader is dressed comfortably for running, jumping and tumbling (this
 means shorts or yoga pants and SNEAKERS-NO SANDALS/ NO FLIP-FLOPS)
- Don't forget sunscreen!!!

Regular-Season Practices: begin the week of July 31st and will be at Varsity Dr. Field. **Football** will be Monday through Thursday from 6-9pm. (Helmets only until August 3rd). **Cheer** will be Tuesday through Thursday from 6-8pm (**Mascots** Tuesday and Thursday only). Please remember to send water for your athlete's (make sure their name is on water bottles).

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 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 requesting 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 HESITATE TO ASK*****