



MONTCLAIR KIMBERLEY ACADEMY

February 2019

MKA Middle School Parents,

As hard as it is to believe, the Middle School Spring Athletics season will soon be upon us. **Practices will begin on Tuesday, March 26 and will be held Monday through Friday, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm.** If you have any questions or concerns about a particular sport, please feel free to contact the Head Coach via email.

Middle School Spring Sports Offered:

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Grades Open To</u>	<u>Head Coach</u>	<u>Email</u>
Girls' Lacrosse	6 th , 7 th and 8 th	Alise Shuart	ashuart@mka.org
Boys' Lacrosse	6 th , 7 th and 8 th	Ben Brashares	brashares@gmail.com
Softball	6 th , 7 th and 8 th	Erin Carbon	erincarbon@gmail.com
Baseball	7 th and 8 th	Nichola Tricarico	ntricarico@mka.org
Boys' Tennis	7 th and 8 th	Alex Langbein	alangbein@mka.org
Coed Track & Field	6 th , 7 th and 8 th	Paul Cunningham	pcunningham@mka.org

I) "A" Level MS Teams

- Tryouts for all "A" level teams will be open to all students in grades 6-8.
- The most qualified athletes will make the "A" team, regardless of grade or previous year's team placement, after a pre-determined tryout period.
- Practices will be held Monday-Friday: 3:00pm - 4:00 pm.
- "A" level team will compete in a full interscholastic schedule.
- There will be a roster size cap number of total athletes on each "A" team.

II) "B" Level Teams

- Open to all athletes from grades 6-8 who do not make the "A" level team.
- Practices will be held 3-4 days a week; days may vary depending on game schedule(s).
- An interscholastic schedule will be utilized; however, total number of games will vary from sport to sport depending on which opponents have "B" level or comparable teams.
- "B" level teams *will not* have a roster cap number.

All medical requirements for pre-season athletic clearance, including the Athlete Code of Conduct, can be found in Magnus Health. Log in to the parent portal at www.mka.org/parents/portal and select the link to Magnus Health.

The best way for us to have the kind of quality program we all want for our student-athletes is to continue to work together. Please keep your respective coach informed of any conflicts that may arise as it pertains to practices and games throughout the season. To take a look at your son or daughter's upcoming spring schedule, please go to www.mkacougarathletics.org.

Regards,

Todd C. Smith
Director of Athletics