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Member of the
High Desert Athletic League
2022-2023 School Year

Welcome to Melva Davis Academy of Excellence sports program. Cross country, cheer, volleyball are offered in the fall; while basketball, soccer, and track are offered in the spring. Specific dates will be announced once they have been posted by the High Desert Athletic League. Please make sure your son/daughter has an Athletic Packet with a completed sports physical on file with the school before they attend any try-outs.

For your convenience game schedules will be available in the front office as well as posted on our website. The important information listed below is for parents and students to assist in making this year successful and enjoyable:

- Playing sports is a privilege which must be maintained throughout the season. Not only must students achieve good grades to try-out for a team, but they must also keep those grades up in order to stay on the team (a minimum 2.5 GPA) and no more than 1 (one) F. Students are offered extra support and coaching to maintain grades if needed.
- Character counts. Students who get suspended from school during the season will automatically be removed from the team – there will be no exceptions to this expectation. Any exhibitions of inappropriate behavior during school or sports competitions will result in game suspensions. Failure to attend any behavioral consequences will result in a game suspension.
- Everyone gets equal time in practice, but playing time in the game is at the coach's discretion. This is competitive league play so players have to earn time according to the coach's judgment. Playing time can be lost due to poor attitude, lack of effort, tardiness, absences, inexperience, not executing the proper plays – and more. If you have any questions about what your child needs to do to increase playing time please make an appointment to speak with the coach. Team Captains are chosen by the coach based on several factors: skill, focus, attitude, dedication, timeliness, attendance, and leadership. This position of trust and responsibility must be earned by the athlete every day and can be revoked at the coach's discretion.
- Let our coaches coach: We all get excited, but please refrain from coaching from the stands – it makes the kids nervous and distracts the coach.
- Support the referees: Yes...they will miss some calls. It's a tough job. Let's remember that we are role models for the kids and must take the bad calls with the good calls.



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- Be on time: Arrangements must be made for timely arrival to all games and practices. This also applies to being picked up after games and practices. It is our expectation that students are picked up immediately after practice and as soon as the games have ended.
- Be prepared to pay entry fees: To help support the costs of referees, trophies, and other expenses, the cost of admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students at all HDAL games.
- Buses will be provided only to far away games such as Barstow and Big Bear. For all other games, please arrange transportation for your child. If a student rides on the bus to an away game that student must return with the team on the bus. If you want to take them home from the game, please fill out the proper form in the school office at least 24 hours prior to the game.
- No person shall on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color or mental or physical disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, be denied equivalent opportunity in, or otherwise discriminated against in interscholastic, intramural, or club athletics. (5 CCR Section 4920).
- All sports are open to both male and female athletes.
- All athletes are given the opportunity to use the school locker rooms and facilities.
- If a student is absent from school, he/she may not participate in any competition or practice on that day. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Athletic Director at (760)530-7650.

Sincerely,

Kathy Youskievicz

Principal