



# Athletic Newsletter

Winter Sports

October 2023

Winter Sports Registration or Re-Certification MUST be completed two weeks before tryouts begin. **\*\* Registration completed after the 2 week deadline will be processed as they arrive and your student is subject to a missed tryout opportunity.**

## Winter Season Starting Dates:

November 17, 2023 - High School First Practice/Tryouts

November 27, 2023- Middle School First Practice/Tryouts

## ONLINE ATHLETIC REGISTRATION—Winter Sports

Please keep in mind if your child will be participating in sports for the 2022-23 school year, the student must pass a PIAA physical exam. Physicals must be administered by a doctor **June 1, 2023 or after** and they cannot tryout for a sport unless the online registration and physical is complete at least 2 weeks before tryouts begin. Online registration includes a CIPPE Physical (PIAA section 7), this will be uploaded to your online registration. Instructions for registration were emailed out on June 1st and on the tab below under Registration.

**Second season athlete's please complete your re-certification through Student Central.**

- **Winter** registration and re-certification is due by November 3, 2023  
A missed tryout opportunity may occur if you fail to meet the deadlines
- \*\* Recert section is now uploaded by you to your Student Central account, no forms to be turned in, please complete online.**

Below you will find the link to registration information:

- [Student Central Kick Off Letter](#) - this gives you the basics of how the system works
- [Getting Started Guide for Students & Parent/Guardian](#) - this will give you step by step instructions.
- **Questions**— Grades 9-12—Mrs. Weiss at [pweis@spring-ford.net](mailto:pweis@spring-ford.net)  
Grade 8—Mr. Harrison at [rharr@spring-ford.net](mailto:rharr@spring-ford.net); Grade 7—Mr. Seislove



## TIPS FOR REGISTRATION—STUDENT CENTRAL

Below are a few tips to help you navigate through the athletic registration process.

**Link to online registration video:** <https://youtu.be/VRgec02jLuc>

- If the system is timing out when you try to complete the forms, click “Keep me signed in” when you initially sign in.
- If switching between student accounts, be sure to click the name at the top and sign out before you try to switch.
- PIAA Section 5 Health History can be completed online, Section 6 CIPPE Physical must be uploaded, you can no longer drop them off at the school. You can also upload the Eligibility form and First Aid if you are unable to complete them online.
- To LINK Accounts the student account is created using the students email and it is case sensitive. Be sure you enter (example: MMCDAMIC00@rams.spring-ford.net), the initial password is “bigteams” all one word and lowercase.
- Feel free to contact Customer Support for Big Teams at: support@bigteams.com
- **All students have an account created using their student email. This is case sensitive.**
- Any questions please email the grade level athletic office with the name and grade of the student.
- **Re-Certification is** needed for 2nd and 3rd season athlete’s in a school year. If your student participated

Once you complete the online registration and uploaded your physical, your coaches will be able to see that you have completed your registration and would like to tryout.

## HIGH SCHOOL TRYOUT INFORMATION

### **High School Wrestling- Coach Seislove—Tseis@spring-ford.net**

The High School Wrestling Season will begin on Friday, Nov. 17. Please contact Coach Seislove with any questions.

### **Bowling—Coach Souder—rsoud@spring-ford.net**

Boys and Girls Bowling informational meeting will be Thursday November 2nd from 230 – 300 in the Hurda Learning Center at the 10-12 Center. Tryouts will be held on November 27th - 29th @ Limerick Bowl from 3-530 PM. All students must take bussing to and from Limerick Bowl.

### **Swimming—Coach Graham—jgrah@spring-ford.net**

Interest Meeting on Wednesday, October 25th in SFHS cafeteria. Open Swim for newcomers Tuesday, Nov. 14th at the SV YMCA. 1st Practice Friday, Nov. 17th. Time Trials Monday, Nov. 27th. Team Selected at that time.

### **Winter Cheer—Coach Householder-dhous@spring-ford.net**

Open gym for Winter Cheer Tryouts will take place Tuesday, November 14th through Thursday, November 16th 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm in the Aux Gym at the 10-12 school.

## HIGH SCHOOL TRYOUT INFORMATION—Cont.

### **Winter Track—Coach Stauffer-dstau@spring-ford.net**

Winter Track interest meeting in the Hurda Learning Center October 26th from 2:30-3:15. Please plan to attend. Parent Meeting via zoom, Nov 8th 7pm. Optional Practices will be Nov 13th & 15th, First Practice Nov 17th. Change in the 10-12 ctr locker rooms and meet outside under the fitness center. All clarifying/additional information will be given at the interest meeting.

### **Boys Basketball—Coach Dempsey—jdemp@spring-ford.net**

Interest Meeting - Wednesday, October 25th. 2:30 - 2:45 p.m. in the cafeteria. (Grades 9 - 12) The meeting is for all students who wish to tryout for the 9th grade team and/or the Junior Varsity and Varsity. Tryouts - Friday, November 17th 2:45 - 5:30 (Main Gym), Saturday, November 18th 10:00 - 12:00 & 2:30 - 5:30. If you make the program, parent meeting will be on Tuesday, November 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

### **Girls Basketball 9th-12th—Coach McDaniel-mmca@spring-ford.net**

Player/Parent Meeting all 9th-12th will be held in the Hurda Learning Center on 11/6 6:00pm-6:45pm Tryouts are as follows: Friday 11/17 6am-7am. 2:45-5:30, Saturday 11/18 8am-10am. 12pm - 2:30pm

### **9th Grade Boys Basketball—Coach Siuchta-msiuc@spring-ford.net**

Tryouts will be on November 27th – November 29th. Tryouts will be 2:30-4:30 at the 9th Grade Center gymnasium. Interest Meeting- Wednesday, October 25th. 2:30 - 2:45 p.m. in the 10-12 Center cafeteria. (Grades 9 - 12)

## MIDDLESCHOOL TRYOUT INFORMATION

### **7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Wrestling– TBD**

Practice will begin on Monday, Nov. 27. The Junior High Wrestling team practices at the 9th Grade Center every day after school from 3:00-5:30.

### **MS Cheer -- grades 7 and 8 -- Coach Stanton and Coach Yurko**

MS Winter Cheer will start on Monday, November 27. There will be 3 days of Open Gym try-outs (11/27, 28 and 29). Practice is 3:00-5:00. Announcements will be made in both schools the week before Thanksgiving break with further information and practice location for Winter Cheer Open Gym try-outs.

### **Boys Basketball 8th grade—TBD**

Winter sports interest meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2nd during SSS in the main gym.

### **Boys Basketball 7th grade—TBD**

Winter sports interest meeting will announced in the building., listen for the announcement

### **Girls Basketball 8th grade—Coach Murtin-JKmurtin@comcast.net**

Winter sports interest meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2nd during SSS in the main gym.

### **Girls Basketball 7th grade—Coach Fisher—sfish@spring-ford.net**

Winter sports interest meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 1st at 8:15am in the gym.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- How do I register for sports?
  - In order to tryout for sports you will need the following items:
    1. Online Registration Completed through Planeths.com —Instructions for this is on the Athletic Web Page: <https://www.spring-ford.net/high-school-athletics>
    2. PIAA Section 7 CIPPE Physical Form—you can find this on the Athletic Web Page on the right side under Athletic Forms. The physical must be administered by a doctor on or after June 1, 2022 and uploaded to your Planeths account. Any physicals dated before that date cannot be accepted.
    3. Registration completed late may result in a missed tryout opportunity.
- Where do I turn my forms in to?
  - Forms are no longer turned in, you will need to upload your forms to your Planeths account.
- When do sports start and where does my student report?
  - Start/tryout dates are listed in this newsletter and on our web page.
- Where does my student report?
  - Please contact the coach by email for detailed instructions.
- What does my student need to bring to practice?
  - Please contact the coach by email for specific information about the sport.
- Who is the coach?
  - Coaches are listed on the web site .
- Will physicals be held at the school?
  - We will not be holding physicals at the school. You can use a Urgent Care or Patient First. The prices are different for each location so you may want to call around.

## Student Activity Fee

Student Activity fee information is found on the Athletic web page under Student Activity Fee. The Activity Fee will be collected through School Pay, you will be notified by email after the rosters for each team has been set. Payments must be made online, no cash or checks accepted. Once teams are set you will receive an email from the Athletic Office.

Please make sure your contact emails are correct in skyward. Communication goes out through your skyward email.



If you plan on purchasing tickets for our regular season home games this year, we have switched to **Ticket Spicket** for on-line, contactless sales. We will not accept cash or sell paper tickets at the gate this year, so you will need to download the free **Ticket Spicket** app to purchase tickets. Below are some resources to help you navigate this new platform. Tickets are still \$5, but there is a convenience fee which results in an individual ticket costing \$5.75. Also the passes are only good for the regular season games, not post-season play.

HS sports that we charge admission for:

Fall sports—V Football, V/JV Field Hockey, V/JV Boys and Girls Soccer, V/JV Volleyball

Winter sports— V/JV Boys and Girls Basketball, Wrestling

Spring sports—V/JV Girls and Boys Lacrosse, V Softball, V Baseball

We look forward to seeing you at our events this school year!

Ticket Spicket Resources:

[Event Ticket Letter](#)

[Quick Start Guide](#)

[Account Creation](#)

## SENIOR CITIZEN GOLD CARDS

Spring-Ford residents **who are** senior citizens (age 60+) can obtain a “Gold Card”, to attend all home sporting events (excluding playoff games and tournaments) for free. If you wish to apply for a Gold Card, call 610-705-6000 or ask at the ticket booth.