

## Athletic Liaison Report 9/13/23

### Varsity Teams

**Football:** Football just came off an inspiring win over Hanover Monday evening. The thunder and lightning Friday evening made us finish the second half this past Monday. We entered Monday trailing 14 to 6 at the beginning of the third quarter; we ended the game with a 25 to 14 victory. This win makes the football team 1-2 heading into a winnable game vs. Northern Lebanon this Friday night at home.

**Boys Soccer:** Boys soccer has had a rough start to their season with a 0-5 record. Each game has been competitive, and our boys are giving a hard-fought effort each time on the field. A win will work wonders for this team's confidence and propel them to more successful results as the season continues.

**Girls Soccer:** Girls soccer is off to a hot start with a 5-1 record. They just came off a 1-0 victory over Lancaster Mennonite this past Monday. With a good number of upperclassmen on this team, they look to stay hot and hope for a playoff run during the middle of October.

**Cross Country:** Cross Country had their only home meet this year on Tuesday against Lancaster Catholic. Due to not having at least five girls running on our varsity team, our results did not count; however, 2 of our three girl runners placed 1st and 2nd in the meet yesterday. Numbers are still a concern with this program as we only have three varsity girl runners and five varsity boys runners. However, numbers in the JH program are more substantial, with hopes to build towards the future.

**Cheer:** Cheer numbers remain strong, with lots of excitement and positive energy coming their way every Friday night at football games.

**Girls Tennis:** This team has been the fall's surprise with a 4-2 record. Already doubling the amount of wins the entire group had last year, we are excited to see how far this team can go as the season goes on.

**Golf:** Is having another successful season. They are currently 19-6 this year and sit in second place in our section, only behind undefeated Annville Cleona, who is 25-0.

### JH Sports

**JH Football:** We saved the JH football season by creating a scrimmage format for the boys. With our numbers being low at the start of August and our small size, we decided to play scrimmages instead of games for this team. This would let our boys develop and learn the sport with the hopes of being more prepared next season, with high numbers from midgets expected. JH football has played Columbia and will take on Octorara this Thursday.

**JH Girls Soccer:** JH girls soccer has been going well so far. We have about 15 athletes participating and have been competitive in most games.

**JH Boys Soccer:** It took some time, but finally now have enough players to field a boys' team this year. With numbers as low as 5 starting this season, we have 12 boys signed up this year. They had their first game of the year Tuesday vs. northern Lebanon.

**Leadership:** As an athletic department this year, we aimed to develop leadership qualities for our athletes on and off the field. We have created an Athlete of the Week for JH and HS athletes. Each month, we focus on a leadership quality and have coaches nominate an athlete who has demonstrated an excellent example of that specific quality. We started August with trust and are finishing September with passion. We are excited with the results of our Athlete of the Week program and look forward to seeing more positive results as the school year goes on.