

Monticello Trails Middle School

Football Parent Handbook 2024

2024 Coaching Staff

Cory Wurtz
7th Grade Head Coach
Positions: Q/F/H/Y and Safeties
Physical Education Teacher MTMS
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Melissa Weber
7th Grade Assistant Coach
Positions: X/W and Corners
Social Studies Teacher MVHS

Ian Calkins
8th Grade Head Coach
Positions: O-Line and Linebackers
Former MV/Baker Football Player
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Aaron Kennedy
8th Grade Assistant Coach
Positions: O-Line and D-Line
Former MV/ICC/FHSU Football Player

8th Grade

Thursday	September 5 th	@ Leavenworth Warren	4:00 pm
Tuesday	September 10 th	Basehor Linwood	4:00 pm
Tuesday	September 17 th	@Lansing	4:00 pm
Tuesday	September 24 th	Piper	4:00 pm
Tuesday	October 1 st	Mill Creek	4:00 pm
Tuesday	October 8 th	Pioneer Ridge Gardner	4:00 pm
Tuesday	October 15 th	@ TBD	4:00 pm

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Expectations of Timberwolf Football Coaches:

1. We coach because it gives us an opportunity to meet, observe, and work with some of the greatest individuals in the field, at all levels of skill.
2. We want to be successful! Being successful is meeting the challenge of competition and overcoming that challenge. Life is competitive. Careers are competitive. Education is competition. FOOTBALL is competitive!
3. We believe in discipline. The greatest discipline is self-discipline. This is knowing the difference between right and wrong and always striving to do the right things for your team.
4. Set goals for the team. Players will know what we want and work hard toward helping achieve the goals. To be successful, we **must** believe in what we do.
5. We want competition to be emotional. We aren't afraid to show our emotion on the practice field, during a game, or simply conversing with a player. We have fun while we are being successful.
6. Be positive. We look for the best in everyone and they will recognize the best in us.
7. We adhere to the total team concept of football. The coaching staff is part of the team as we strive to achieve consistency. You, the parent, are obviously a part of the team. We will constantly remind you of your value to the team's success. Your families, the community, and the school are all an important part of the team. We must earn their respect and show appreciation for their support.
8. Act with great sportsmanship at all times.

LET'S GO AFTER THAT SUCCESS!!!

EXPECTATIONS OF TIMBERWOLF FOOTBALL PARENTS

1. Support your son in his commitment to the Timberwolf Football Program.
2. Be proud of his effort and commitment.
3. Work with the football staff to make your son's experience positive and rewarding.
4. If you have any concerns or questions, contact the head coach. Do not approach a coach after a game with a concern about playing time. Emotions after a game are too high and it is not a good environment in which to discuss any situation.
5. If your son makes this commitment to the football program, then we will do our best to help him in every aspect of his life. Academics, behavior etc. It is not a one-way street.
6. Remember, the football staff is here to instill life lessons in your son. We will teach honor, discipline, hard work, enthusiasm and many qualities that extend beyond the field.
7. Act with great sportsmanship at all times.

Expectations of Timberwolf Football Players

1. **Be a Good Citizen:** A player is a part of the program not just in the locker room and on the field. They are a part of the program all of the time and will be held to a standard of representing their teammates, coaches, school, parents, and community all of the time.
2. **Be Committed to the Program:** Commitment is shown through daily attendance and a positive attitude toward becoming successful as a team. Attendance will be taken daily and all absences must be excused by a parent or guardian through communication with the head coach.
3. **Be a Good Student.** Eligibility will be based on the policies of Monticello Trails Middle School. Any student that requires extra academic time need only to make arrangements with the head coach
4. **Be a Good Teammate.** All players are equally important to the success of the team and will be valued as such by all players.
5. **Be respectful of facilities and those who take care of them.** Cleats will be removed before entering the building and all facilities will be kept clean at all times.
6. **Be responsible for your equipment.** Keep your equipment clean and wear clean clothing under your equipment as often as possible. If equipment is lost it must be replaced, contact the head coach about equipment issues. Do so before school or after practice not before.
7. **Take care of your body.** Report injuries immediately to the head coach All players should shower as soon as possible after all practices and games.
8. **Act with great sportsmanship at all times.**

Additional Information:

Practice Times:

Afternoon Practice Time is 3:15-5:00 pm

Morning Practice Time is 5:15-7:00 am

Practice Location is MVHS Baseball/Softball Fields

Please Pickup @ 5:00 pm or 7:00 am. If you cannot, please arrange transportation with another player.

Player Safety:

12 Practices prior to playing in a competition. We have 12 scheduled practices before our 1st game.

Athletic Trainer Jake Brownback: Most nights will be readily available but not always.

Concussions: Follow the KSHSAA policies and procedures. Athlete must have a written release from a MD or DO to return to practice and games.

Concussion and Heat and Illness Training: Will be completed by all football players as part of pad check out on August 15th at 3:10. **Mandatory Before being allowed to practice.**

Weather:

Lightening: Will not go outside. Spend this time in classroom mentally preparing for games and watching game film.

Calendar:

Updates will be emailed to all parents through skyward as changes arise.

Equipment:

Players will be reminded of taking care and locking up equipment. Please work to help them with this process on a regular basis throughout the season.

Games:

All players will ride the bus to all away games unless prior arrangements have been made between parents and Coach Calkins or Coach Wurtz. Parents will need to sign out players with a coach prior to taking them home. A bus will be provided to return home for all remaining players. Players may only ride with another adult with prior permission from Mary King and Coach Calkins or Coach Wurtz.

Playing Time:

Playing time will be determined by coaches' evaluation of players. Our goal is to provide as much playing time as possible for everyone.

Eligibility:

Students may not have more than 2 D's with no F's to be eligible.

Eligibility will be run on Thursday and communicated on Friday for the following week.

Students will have 1 week of probation before becoming ineligible.

Students that are ineligible will not travel with the team nor attend home games with the team.

Behavior:

Any student receiving ISS/OSS will not be allowed to practice or play that day.

We look forward to a great season. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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