

HOME OF THE ROCKETS

RED BANK MIDDLE SCHOOL



Fall and Winter Sports Update

Winter 2025

The Red Bank Middle School Rockets have been busy both inside and outside of the classroom!

In the fall, student-athletes have the opportunity to join the soccer team or run cross country. We have over 80 student-athletes that compete in fall and winter athletics.

In the winter, the Rockets are represented on the hardwood by our Boys and Girls Basketball teams.



Inside you will find more details on our fall and winter sports teams, as well as a few feature updates from our athletes as they share some of their best RBMS Athletics moments.

Boys Soccer

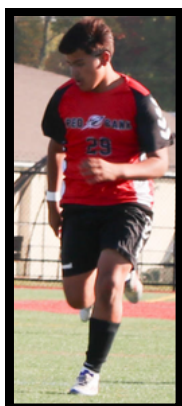
The Boys Soccer team had a stellar season, finishing with a 10-2 record under the leadership of captains Chris Cervantes and Gio Jimenez. After a strong start, the team went on an impressive eight-game winning streak, culminating in a semifinal victory over Union Beach. Although the Rockets narrowly lost to the Ranney School in the championship game, the team's cohesion, balance, and determination were clear. With several key players returning, the future is bright for the boys' soccer team.



Rockets On 3!



FROM THE CAPTAINS: What was your favorite moment from the season?



Chris Cervantes

My favorite moment was when we beat Ranney the second time we played them because the team worked really hard for that victory.

Gio Jimenez

My favorite moment from this season was when we beat Union Beach in the semi-finals because it was such a back and forth game and we never gave up!



Girls Soccer

The Girls Soccer team delivered an exceptional performance this season, finishing with an 8-1-2 record and making a valiant run to the championship game. Despite a hard-fought overtime loss in the finals, the team showed remarkable teamwork, leadership, and resilience. Key performances included Natalie Matias, who earned 23 shutouts over her three seasons as goalkeeper, and Idamarie Laureano, who set a new program record for the most hat tricks in Rocket history. Captain Heather Ptak provided exemplary leadership on and off the field. Although the championship was a bittersweet ending, this team's growth and spirit lay the foundation for continued success in the years to come.



Captain Heather Ptak



Heather first started playing soccer in 5th grade and tried out for the RBMS team for the first time in 6th grade. She's a midfielder with a eye for the goal, scoring 6 goals this season.

In high school, Heather wants to continue with her pursuit of being a three sport athlete, playing soccer, basketball and softball.

When asked what her favorite moment of the season was, Heather said, "I love walking with the team to Count Basie - it's when we were really able to bond as a team."

Boys and Girls Cross Country



The RBMS Girls Cross Country team concluded their season with a 3-6 record, showcasing tremendous progress and dedication. Many of our runners set personal bests, marking significant improvement as the season progressed. With a strong group of athletes returning next year, the team is poised for even greater success. Congratulations to the girls for their hard work and perseverance!

The Boys Cross Country team had an exceptional season, finishing with an 8-1 record and securing second place in the division. The team's consistency, discipline, and outstanding teamwork were evident throughout the season, with numerous athletes achieving personal bests and earning top finishes. With many talented runners returning next year, the Rockets are set to continue their success. Well done, boys!



MEET OF CHAMPIONS

The RBMS Rockets were able to send 12 total runners to the end of the year showcase!



Boys Basketball



The boys basketball team had a remarkable season. This season was about learning the fundamentals of basketball and what it means to be a Rocket. They worked hard on being good teammates and playing as a cohesive group. The team finished 4-10 in the Shore Athletic League, but the foundation for success was built this year. Many of these athletes committed extra time to their development, attending early morning sessions and late practices. We're incredibly proud of their growth, hard work, and achievements this season! The future looks bright with nine returning players for 2025-2026!



Girls Basketball – CHAMPIONS

The Lady Rockets Basketball Team of Red Bank Middle School made history this season clinching the coveted Shore Athletic League Championship. It was a thrilling campaign that captivated the community. With a blend of experienced leadership, fresh talent, and unwavering teamwork, the team achieved their goal, bringing home a championship that will be remembered for years to come. Their victory marks the culmination of a multi-season journey, woven together by dedication, perseverance, and an unbreakable bond. For the 8th grade class, this triumph is the crowning achievement of years of hard work, sacrifice, and passion for the game. The Lady Rockets have grown together, facing challenges with resilience and lifting each other through every setback and success. Their unforgettable championship run is more than just a win—it is a testament to the power of teamwork, an unmatched tenacity, and the unwavering commitment that has defined their journey.



Girls Basketball – CHAMPIONS

While the offense powered the team's success, it was the defense that truly defined the Lady Rockets. At the heart of that defensive dominance was Idamarie Laureano, whose impact over three seasons never went unnoticed. With lightning-quick feet, active hands, and unmatched speed, she consistently disrupted opposing offenses. Her defensive brilliance shined brightest in the championship game, where she played a key role in holding the opponent to a season-low in scoring. Beyond her own performance, Idamarie's relentless tenacity set the standard for her teammates, inspiring a defensive mindset that led the Lady Rockets to finish first in the league in defense for all three of her seasons. **"This was such an amazing group of teammates to be a champion with!" – Idamarie Laureano**



The Lady Rockets' ability to come together as a cohesive unit was what truly set them apart from their competition. Veteran players guided younger teammates, while the younger athletes pushed the veterans to new heights. Their collective efforts and belief in each other became their greatest strength, and it showed on the court.

"We really supported each other on the court and off, so it makes winning so much better." - Ashley Vera

Thank you, Coaches!



Girls Soccer Coaches Amy Campbell and Katie Conte



Boys Soccer Coaches John Adranovitz and Jon Rue



Boys Basketball Coach Isaac Nathanson, Girls Basketball Coach Gabrielle Coco and Special Assistant Joey Fields



Cross Country Coaches Megan Flohr and Pat Hanson

Notes from the Athletic Director

As the Athletic Director, I can confidently say this has been one of the most memorable fall and winter seasons in recent years. Our student-athletes have shown incredible sportsmanship, determination, and competitiveness, both on the field and in the classroom. The community's support has been instrumental, and it is inspiring to see our programs continue to thrive.

This fall season saw two teams advance to championship games, with both matches coming down to the wire against Ranney, and our Boys Cross Country team brought home a second-place trophy.

The winter season saw the boys continue to improve, and the girls bring the championship to Red Bank Middle School!

These achievements reflect the hard work and dedication of our athletes, coaches, families, and supporters.

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed to the success of our athletic programs. Your commitment is crucial in fostering a culture of excellence. I'm excited to see what our Rocket teams will achieve next.



RBMS ATHLETICS

Red Bank

Middle School

GIRLS BASKETBALL

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1978

1979

1990

2018

2019

2025

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

1979

1980

1981

1990

1991

1992

1994



Red Bank


Middle School

CROSS COUNTRY

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

2022



Red Bank

Middle School

GIRLS SOCCER

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2019

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS



Red Bank

Middle School

BOYS SOCCER

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1974

2016

2017

2018

2019

2021

2023

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

2012



Red Bank

Middle School

BOYS BASKETBALL

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1976


1983

1984

1986

1992

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS



Red Bank

Middle School

SOFTBALL

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

2001

2013

2022

