

Endeavor
Charter School



Home of the Pride

Seasons and Athletic Programs:

Fall- Boys Soccer (Division 1 and Division 2 teams), Girls Volleyball (Division 1 and Division 2 teams) Girls Tennis, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country

Winter- Boys Basketball (Division 1 and Division 2 teams), Girls Basketball (Division 1 and Division 2 teams)

Spring- Girls Soccer (Division 1 and Division 2 teams), Boys Tennis, Baseball, Co-Ed Golf, Girls Track and Field, Boys Track and Field, Girls Softball

*The Endeavor Pride competes in the Triangle Middle School Conference (T.M.S.C.). Conference members include Bethesda Christian Academy, Carolina Prep Academy, East Wake Academy, Emerson Waldorff, Envision Science Academy, Resurrection Lutheran School, Rolesville Charter Academy, Wake Forest Charter Academy, Wake Prep Academy and Youngsville Academy Charter School.

Registration guidelines:

- Eligible grade levels- 7th and 8th grade; 6th grade may become eligible to participate if needed to field a specific team.
- Registration will be communicated to the parents by the Athletic Director via email.
- Team registration timeline:
 - Fall season – May/June of the school year prior to the participating fall season.
 - Winter season– September of the participating year.
 - Spring season – January of the participating year.
- Registration will be open for 2 weeks and completed online; late and/or incomplete registrations will not be accepted after the posted deadline (extenuating circumstances may be an exception at the discretion of the Athletic Director).
- Any team not meeting the specified minimum number of players will open to the 6th grade students. Team minimum numbers; Soccer-30, Tennis-10, Basketball-20, Baseball-14, Cross Country-8, Golf-6, Track and Field-8, Volleyball-20, Girls Softball-14
- If any team that is open to the 6th grade students exceeds the specified maximum number of registrants, those students will be placed into a lottery system for team participation. Team maximum numbers; Soccer-40, Tennis-14, Basketball-30, Baseball-18, Cross Country-18, Golf-10, Track and Field-18, Volleyball-24, Softball-18
- Team funding is vital in the support and continuation of each offered sport and the athletic program as a whole; financial deficits could result in team/season cancellations. See funding form within the registration.

Basic Policies

- Dates, times and locations of games and/or practices are subject to change; parents and athletes will be notified via phone, text, and/or email. Schedule changes will also be posted on the athletic webpage at [ECS Athletics - Endeavor Charter School](#)
- Student athletes should bring their practice or game apparel to school on scheduled days; student athletes will be provided designated times to change at school prior to their event.
- Student athletes will be dismissed from school at 3:00 for pick-up on **game days only** when competitions are held off campus, unless otherwise notified (detailed game day carpool procedures will be provided to the families prior to the season). Student athletes will be picked up through afterschool carpool on practice days if practicing off campus. Student athletes will remain on campus, in their carpool classrooms, until dismissed for all events held on campus.
- Siblings of the student athletes whose parents are driving on game days will be permitted to leave at 3:00 with the student athletes through game day carpool. Siblings of student athletes whose parents are not driving, other relatives and/or friends are not permitted to leave through game day carpool. These students must be picked up through afterschool carpool.
- Parents **MUST** be on time to drop off or pick up their student athlete at all athletic events.
- Games and practices may occur during track out; student athletes are expected to follow through with the schedule.
- Athletic schedules will be posted on the athletic webpage at [ECS Athletics - Endeavor Charter School](#) and copies will be provided to all participating families.
- Parents are responsible for transporting their student athlete, or arranging a means of carpool with other team families for their student athlete, to and from all athletic events.
- Student athletes participating in club sports outside of Endeavor are encouraged to play. If participation is during the same season, accommodations regarding absences will be met. Accommodations will be at the discretion of the Athletic Director and will require prior communication by the parent.
- The Endeavor Pride is a no-cut athletic program; therefore, all students and skill levels are welcome to participate; however, being a competitive program, playing time is not guaranteed to any individual in any event. The student athlete must earn his or her time and is at the discretion of the head coach.
- Student athletes will not be permitted to participate in team activities until all registration forms are submitted, completed in their entirety, and on file with the Athletic Director. By submitting the signed forms, the student athlete and parents agree with and understand all policies and procedures.
- Team uniforms are the property of the Athletic Department and will be provided to student athletes prior to their first competition. Uniforms are to be worn during Pride competitions only; they are not for rec or leisure play and should not be worn to school or practice unless instructed to do so by the head coach or Athletic Director. Student athletes will be responsible for their uniforms throughout the participating season; any misplaced, lost, stolen

or damaged (other than wear and tear) uniforms will be replaced at full cost by the student athlete. Uniforms are to be returned to the Athletic Director at the end of the participating season.

- All student athletes must have practiced a total of 5 days before playing in their first game of the season.

Inclement Weather

- Weather policy for outdoor events; “hear it clear it; see it flee it.” If thunder is heard, clear the area and get to a safe shelter or vehicle; play will be suspended for 30 minutes. 30 minutes of play stoppage will be added every time thunder is heard for a maximum wait time of 1 hour before being canceled. If you see lighting, flee the area as soon as possible; the event will be canceled immediately.
- Heat Policy-
 - Index of 80-90; normal practice, frequent water breaks (5 minutes at least every 20 minutes)
 - Index of 91-103; modified practice, light drills, walk throughs, frequent water breaks (5 minutes at least every 15 minutes)
 - Index of 104+- canceled

Division 1 and Division 2 Teams

The Endeavor Pride will field 2 teams (D1 and D2) in the sports of girls’ volleyball and boys’ soccer in the fall, girls’ and boys’ basketball in the winter and girls’ soccer in the spring.

- Fielding 2 teams in the specified sports will be dependent on the total number of registered players and the availability of coaches, facilities, and opponents.
- D1 and D2 teams will have separate coaches and game schedules, both consisting of conference and non-conference games.
- D1 and D2 teams of the same sport may practice together or separately on the same day with staggered times or on different days depending on game schedules, total number of participants and facility availability.
- All participating grade levels are eligible for either D1 and D2 teams, including 6th grade students if they become eligible.
- D1 and D2 team head coaches will evaluate all players together during the first week of practice and then meet to determine the two teams following the final practice of the first week.
- D2 players may have an opportunity to, and are eligible to, “play up” on the D1 team during the season.

Endeavor Charter School Athletic Eligibility Requirements

Any student interested in participating in athletics during the school year should familiarize themselves with the following general regulations, academic, behavior and attendance requirements, and athletic policies.

General Regulations:

To be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics, a player must meet all eligibility requirements.

- Age policy; shall not participate if he or she becomes 15 years of age on or before October 16th of the school year.
- Academic and attendance requirements as outlined in these policies.
- Receive a medical examination (athletic participation physical) once per school year and on file in the athletics office prior to the start of the season.
- Present an insurance waiver form signed by parent or guardian and all other required forms needing signatures included in the athletics packet on file in the athletics office prior to the start of the season.
- Students must demonstrate appropriate behavior inside and outside the classroom.

Academic, Attendance and Disciplinary Policy

All student athletes representing the Endeavor Pride will be required to follow the academic, behavior, and attendance policies set forth. The athletes will be committed to abide by these policies throughout their participating season. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action to the athlete by the Athletic Director and/or head coach. The length and severity of the discipline will be at the discretion of the Athletic Director and/or head coach if not specified in these policies.

Academics

All students participating in athletics shall demonstrate an acceptable level of academic achievement as followed. Communication between the teachers and Athletic Director will be established and grades will be checked weekly by the Athletic Director for player eligibility to assess this policy.

- Student athletes must earn and maintain a minimum GPA of a 2.0 with no failing grades in core classes (Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies) throughout their participating season to be eligible for team events (practices and competitions).
- If at any point during the season a student athlete is in violation of the academic requirement, the student athlete will become ineligible and suspended from all games and practices until his or her academics meet the eligibility requirement. Once the eligibility requirement is met, the student athlete will be reinstated and permitted to return to all team activities.

- If notified by a teacher that the student athlete has a consistent pattern of late or missing work, low scores, or any other issues related to his or her academics, then a loss of playing time or team suspension may be the result issued by the Athletic Director. The decision of and length of the consequence is at the discretion of the Athletic Director. The severity of the punishment will depend on the severity of the academic issue.
- A 3 week “grace period” will be granted to all student athletes at the beginning of each quarter before eligibility takes effect.

Behavior

Any inappropriate behavior displayed by the student athlete inside and/or outside the classroom will result in, but are not limited to, verbal/written warnings, meeting with parents, ineligibility, and/or suspensions. Communication between the teachers, Middle School Director and Athletic Director will be established to assess this policy. All behavior concerns will be documented and if not specified below, the decision and length of an athletic consequence will be at the discretion of the Athletic Director.

Detention/Silent Lunch/Loss of Pride Time

1st offense: Discipline is at the discretion of the Athletic Director and may result in a suspension from competition or loss in playing time depending on the severity of the student athlete’s actions.

2nd offense and all that surpass: A one game suspension will be issued by the Athletic Director.

*Detention/silent lunch/loss of Pride time will be cumulative throughout the season in which the student athlete is participating in. Student athletes serving a game suspension under these circumstances are permitted to attend the game in support of his or her team, but as a spectator.

In-school and/or out-of-school suspension

1st suspension: 1-week probationary period; will be unable to compete in all competitions and practices for one week.

2nd suspension: 2-week probationary period; will be unable to compete in all competitions and practices for two weeks.

3rd suspension: The student athlete will be immediately removed from the team and will serve a full calendar year of probation. The student athlete will be eligible to return to the athletic program during the same season in which the suspension occurred.

*School suspensions will be cumulative throughout the school year. If a student athlete is serving a probationary period, the student athlete will also be suspended from attending all games during that time.

*The severity of the cause for a school suspension may warrant an extended probationary period even if it is the student athlete's first offense. In any case, the length of the probationary period will be at least the length of the school suspension, if the school suspension exceeds the stated probationary period.

***The Endeavor Pride Athletic Program is a privilege to the Endeavor students and its athletes. The disciplinary actions set forth are to establish and teach responsibility, commitment, and self-conduct.**

School Attendance

Student athletes can have no more than three unexcused absences from school during the season in which he or she is actively participating in. Excused absences will not count against these totals when course work is made up.

- A one game suspension will be the punishment for every school absence surpassing the third unexcused.
- If the student athlete has an absence on the day of a game or practice, then he or she will be ineligible to play in that game or participate in practice.
- If the student athlete has an unexcused tardy or early release on the day of a game or practice, then he or she will be ineligible to play in that game or participate in practice.
- The student athlete must be present in school for a minimum of 3 hours and 15 minutes to be eligible to participate in practices and/or games; that time the student athlete is not present in school must be of an excused reason.
- Three unexcused tardies will equal one unexcused absence.

Athletic Event Attendance (practice/competitions)

- Any unexcused absence from practice or competition is an automatic one game suspension.
- All absences will be marked as unexcused unless the head coach and/or Athletic Director are notified of the absence and that absence is of an excusable cause.
- No student athlete will start if he or she misses a practice the day before the competition.

***Extenuating circumstances are an exception to these attendance policies and should be brought to the attention of the Athletic Director.**

Endeavor Pride Athletic Events and Spectating Students

Any student planning to attend and spectate an Endeavor Pride athletic event on campus must be supervised by an adult at all times and the supervising adult must be present in the location of the student(s) being supervised. No student can remain or be left on campus without adult supervision; any student who is found without a supervising adult will be required to call a guardian and be picked up from campus immediately. Spectating students must leave campus after school through carpool and return with a supervising adult or if the student wishes to

remain on campus after school, they may attend our after school care service (for a registration fee located [here](#)), but will need to be checked out of after care and escorted to the game by their supervising adult. When attending basketball games on campus, due to supervisory and safety concerns, students and their supervising adult should remain inside the gym. Students who do not adhere to these expectations may be subject to disciplinary consequences as outlined in our [Student Handbook](#).

Sportsmanship Policy:

1. Any athlete who receives an unsportsmanlike technical foul during game play will be removed from the game for the duration of play. Additional consequences may result based on the severity of the cause for the technical foul including, but not limited to, suspension from the following game.
 - Exceptions will be considered based on the nature of the infraction. Emphasis being on the behavior and attitude of the player, rather than judgment calls by officials.
 - Any athlete serving a game suspension due to an unsportsmanlike technical foul will be permitted to attend the game in support of his or her teammates unless that technical foul resulted in an ejection in which then the athlete will also be suspended from attending the game. The suspended player will not be permitted to wear his or her team uniform or participate in team warm-ups.
2. Any athlete who receives a red card during game play will be removed from play for the remainder of that game and suspended from participation in and attending the following game.
3. Any athlete who is ejected from a game due to any of the following circumstances will be disciplined according to the policy as stated;
 - Fighting includes, but is not limited to, combative acts such as an attempt to strike an opponent with a fist, hands, arms, legs, or feet. An attempt to punch or kick an opponent, regardless of whether contact is made. An attempt to instigate a fight by committing an unsportsmanlike act toward an opponent that causes an opponent to retaliate, leaving the bench area to participate in a fight.
 - Taunting, biting, spitting
 - Profanity directed toward an official, opponent, coach, and/or spectators
 - Obscene gestures
 - Disrespect when addressing or contacting an official, coach, parent, and/or spectator

1st Offense: Suspension from participating in and attending the following 2 games.

2nd Offense: Season suspension/removal from team and suspension from all interscholastic athletics for one calendar year.

***If a suspension takes place at the end of the season, the suspension will carry over to the next season the student athlete participates in.**