Frequently Asked Questions for Modified sports at Dobbs Ferry:

What Modified sports are offered at Dobbs Ferry?

Modified sports are available to all 7th and 8th graders at Dobbs Ferry. Please click the link below to see all Modified sports at Dobbs Ferry as well as what season they are offered.

Modified Sports Offered at Dobbs Ferry

Who governs Public High School Interscholastic Sports?

All levels of interscholastic sports are governed by NY State Public High School Athletic Association rules and regulations. As per the NYSPHSAA map, we are in Section One. Section One also has a set of rules we must adhere to.

What are examples of Rules and Regulations set forth by NYSPHSAA and the Section?

Examples of rules set forth by the section are: how many games a team plays in a season, how many practices a student needs to be eligible to play, last day to play a regular season game, amount of rest needed between games, Heat Index procedures, Thunder and Lightning Procedures, playoff dates, sectional and state championship dates and locations etc.

Do we make "cuts" at the Modified level?

We tend to not make "cuts" at the modified level as we look at athletics as an extension of the school day and a great way to engage students in the school community.

Can a 7th or 8th grader tryout for a Junior Varsity or Varsity Team?

Yes. Incoming 7th and 8th graders interested in playing a Junior Varsity or Varsity sport must take part in the Athletic Placement Process (APP). This process includes having a parent sign a permission slip. More information on the APP and permission slip can be found here.

What are Player Eligibility Requirements?

Proper registration and nurse/doctor medical clearance are required for all athletes. Once a student is on a team, NYSPHSAA requires athletes to complete a certain number of team practices to be considered eligible for scrimmage and contest participation.

How and when do I register for Sports:

Registration is completed online (Arbiter Sports) and requires a current physical (a current physical is defined as not more than 1 year old). Registration begins 30 days before the start of

each season and runs for approximately two weeks. The district will send multiple emails ahead of time detailing the process and deadlines.

What is the typical time commitment at the Modified level?

Modified sports usually practice 3:15 PM - 5/5:30 PM Monday - Friday. Modified sports will tend to not have contests or practices on the weekends or holidays. It is an expectation that your child be at all practices and games when they make the commitment to join the team.

Will bussing be provided for away contests?

Yes. Bussing will be provided to and from all away contests. In the event you would like to take your child home from the away game, please complete the form here and hand it to your child's coach.

Who is the coach and what is their contact information?

All coaches contact information can be found here. This document is updated seasonally.

Where can I find the most up-to-date information on game schedules?

The daily game schedule is posted on our Dobbs Ferry Athletics Website under Athletic Calendar.

All schedules for all teams can be found at Digital Sports

Why did my child's game get canceled?

Unfortunately, games will get canceled from time to time. Reasons for last-minute cancellations could be the field is too wet to play, inclement weather, the coach had an emergency etc.

What if my child gets injured at a game or practice?

All coaches have a current FIRST AID, CPR/AED certification and will be able to attend to your child. In addition, we have a Certified Athletic Trainer at Dobbs Ferry on most days when athletics are in session.

How do game schedules get created?

Games are scheduled with opposing schools that are a similar size (based on school enrollment) to Dobbs Ferry as well as schools that are geographically close by. BEDS numbers are used to determine the size of the schools. See each schools BEDS number here. In

addition we may play schools such as Ardsley, even though they are quite a bit bigger than Dobbs Ferry, since they are geographically close by.

These FAQ's provide a snapshot of information about modified athletics. I encourage you to visit the athletics website as well as read through the interscholastic handbook as much more detailed information is provided. Please feel free to reach out at any time with questions and concerns you may have.

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