## FOOTBALL CHECKLIST/BASIC INFO 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fall 2025

1. We have a 7<sup>th</sup> and an 8<sup>th</sup> grade team at MSC. There are no cuts for either team. Everyone who comes out will make their grade level team.

2. Turn in a completed sports physical examination to MS-C main office before the first practice or to the coaches at the first practice. An athlete cannot participate until it is turned in. The physical form must be signed by a doctor on or after April 15, 2025 for it to be valid.

3. Students who struggle with low academics or citizenship during the school year potentially face not being able to play in games or may be removed from the team.

- In order to join the team, all athletes must be eligible based on the 4th Quarter Report Card grades and citizenship:
  - MHSAA Academic Eligibility (passed 4/6 classes)
  - MS-C Positive Citizenship Attained
- Students that do not maintain eligibility during the season may be suspended from participating from practice and games.
- Team members' that are suspended from any class (removed from a class) are not allowed to participate in practice or game on that day. This may also affect participation at future games

4. All practices are held in the rear of MS-C on the soccer field. Athletes MUST be picked up no later than 10 minutes after practices ends. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will practice together on the same field. Athletic apparel must be worn during the first week of practice (shorts, t-shirt, gym attire). We are only allowed 15 practices before our first game, which includes a scrimmage.

5. During August practices, a full season schedule will be handed out. Sometimes there are changes that happen to the school calendar over the summer.

6. Equipment:

- A mouth guard <u>must</u> be purchased
- Rubber/molded plastic cleats <u>must</u> be purchased. Metal cleats are **not** allowed.
- It is <u>recommended</u> to purchase your own built in girdle (hip, tailbone, thigh pads all in one \$30-\$50) but I do have them available to borrow.
- All other equipment will be provided but will be returned at end of season (helmet, shoulder pads, jerseys, pants, practice jerseys, etc).
- Locker rooms and lockers will be provided that students will also be able to use for Physical Education classes.
- All football equipment will be handed out following the MHSAA guidelines.

7. Practice times: PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR IN THIS PACKET.

## Questions:

Please contact the Athletic Director, Evan Chalk: <a href="mailto:chalkev@lc-ps.org">chalkev@lc-ps.org</a>