Season Information

NEWS

- Follow @skylinebaseball on Twitter
- If you have not already, join the Skyline Baseball Remind
 - Text this message: @tschlagel to 81010
- You can also check the SHS website at <u>shs-falcons.com</u> for weather related changes, game/practice times and notifications
- Skylinefalconbaseball.com has schedules, stats, rankings and gamechanger info
- <u>Gamechanger</u> is a great way to see the schedule and follow games if you cannot be there in person!
- Physicals/Fees due by **Monday**, **February 27th** to be able to practice.
 - o https://stvrain.revtrak.net/High-Schools-1143/Skyline-HS/

TIMES

- Players are expected to be on the field ready to practice by 3:15 every day. Players who are late
 or miss practice without communicating with me will have conditioning.
 - The appropriate coach needs to know in advance (before 12:00 pm) if the student athlete will be late or miss practice
 - More notice would be appreciated if games will be missed
 - The appropriate coach needs to know from the student athlete and not the parent
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EQUIPMENT

- Players need to be prepared for the weather in Colorado. They should always have long sleeves in their bag. No excuses!
- Players are expected to wear a Skyline Baseball hat (20\$), baseball pants (white or gray...no piping), cleats, a belt (black), and a long sleeve shirt/hoodie for practice (preferably something that has our logo or colors)- Fancloth Store
 - o If a player does not have one of these items, they will owe me conditioning.

RULES

- Players need to have 5 full practices before they can play in any game.
- Missing practices or games for any reason may impact their playing time.
- CHSAA states that a student who has 2 F's on Thursday, will not be able to participate in any game from the following Monday Saturday.
 - We strongly believe that a student who has a progress grade point average below a 2.0 should not participate in games as well.
 - Students are expected to know what they will need to make up for any class that they
 miss in advance. Being a student-athlete means that they accept the fact that they will be
 missing class time and are prepared to work extra hours to enjoy the privilege of playing
 a sport!

- Swearing, throwing of equipment, being disrespectful to opponents, teammates, officials or self will result in an immediate warning. Second offense will result in termination of practice or game. Third offense will result in being asked to turn in equipment for the remainder of the season.
- Bus requests:
 - Players who will not be riding the bus home will need 24 hours written notice to confirm with the AD, Mike Green. Include who the player will be traveling home with.
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TEAMS

- We will place the kids on the team that is the best fit for them to develop skills and compete.
 - Being a sophomore or a junior does not mean your kid will automatically be on Junior Varsity or Varsity.
 - We want to give kids the best opportunity to grow, develop and help our program!
- If there is an issue with playing time, positions, coaches
 - Have your son come and talk with their respective coach. We don't know there is a
 problem unless your son communicates with us.
 - If your son has had a conversation with a coach and the issue doesn't get resolved, then
 we can set up a meeting.
 - Please allow 24 hours after a game to communicate with myself or any coach on the team about the games, playing time or other issues that arise during competition.
 - We need that night to process what happened during the game
 - Emotions can run high at times and a little bit of time can bring back some perspective!

Schedules

- All schedules are updated and correct in both gamechanger and maxpreps.
- Scrimmages are only posted in gamechanger
 - o <u>Varsity schedule</u>
 - o JV schedule
 - We have a scrimmage set up with Longmont on Monday March 6th after school

Parents

- In all sports at the high school level and baseball is no exception- Umpires and referees are at an all time low. They are quitting mainly because they are tired of being belittled and screamed at.
 - They will be bad, they will not be perfect, they will make mistakes every game!
 - We want them on our side
 - We coach the kids to not allow the umpire to dictate their at bat
 - We coach the kids that they can't control what the umpires says or does but they can control how they respond
 - You can also control how you respond
 - The kids are looking at you and me on how we respond!

- Please be hesitant to question the decisions of the coaching staff in front of your sons. We will
 have conversations daily with your kids about their role, what we expect from them and how they
 best can contribute to the team.
 - Nothing begins to tear apart a team quicker than parents talking with other parents and their kids about the coaching decisions.
 - I am not perfect and will make mistakes
 - Please hesitate to use other players in comparison to your son.
 - o If you want to know why we placed a kid on a certain team or why they are not playing the amount you think they should be, before you reach out to us please come watch a practice!
 - Practices are always open to come and watch
 - Support your son!
 - Support them in the role that we have given them
 - Support their work ethic
 - Support them when they fail- because they will
- EXPECTATIONS ARE EXTREMELY HIGH THIS YEAR!
 - We will coach with this in mind
 - We will push and challenge kids....hard
 - We will not make exceptions for being late/behavior issues/grades....