

ATHLETICS

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
MISSION STATEMENTS AND PHILOSOPHY**

MISSION STATEMENT

"The mission of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Parish and School is to build the Mystical Body of Jesus by preparing students and families spiritually, morally, and academically to love, to serve, and to grow as members of God's family."

STUDENT MISSION STATEMENT

Today, in all my actions, I will love others, serve God, and use my talents to the best of my ability.

PHILOSOPHY

"Show me your ways, O Lord; teach me the paths. Lead me in thy truth, and teach me."

Psalm 2

Athletics at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School are to support and exemplify our mission statements and philosophy. In upholding these values our school has instituted an "Open Participation" policy. All students currently enrolled in grades 5-8 are eligible to participate in athletics. This policy allows for any qualifying student to join any athletic program. This policy, however, does not guarantee equal playing time for every participant. Participation in games is based on effort, attitude, and attendance per the coach's discretion. The athletic program strives to allow everyone to participate in games when applicable. Our purpose is to be competitive while providing an opportunity for overall participation.

As our school continues to grow we also understand the need for more than one team per class. Dual teams will be assigned depending on the amount of players who sign up and available coaches. If dual teams are made they will be split up equally ensuring varied skill levels on both teams. A and B teams will

not be made and students will not be cut. However, standards will be set high for student participation. Good coaches and programs help students develop discipline, place others before self, and handle both joy and disappointments with grace and a generous spirit. We ask these things of our student athletes:

- A 70 percent grade average in every subject must be maintained in order to participate in extracurricular activities. Students must maintain required attendance, academic, and conduct standards in order to participate.
- To represent their school, their team and themselves with dignity and class.
- To be committed to the team and their teammates. Athletes are expected to make all practices, work hard, take constructive criticism from their coaches and put the team before individual statistics or success.

******ALL PROSPECTIVE COACHES MUST COMPLETE THEIR SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING AND BE FINGERPRINTED. CLEAR CARDS MUST BE VERIFIED IN ORDER TO BEGIN COACHING.***

I look forward to a great year and I thank all of you for being dedicated volunteers!! Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.