

LINCOLN NORTHEAST ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES OFFICE

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2020-2021 Important Athletic/Activities Updates

ATHLETIC PASSES

We are working with the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department on developing protocols around athletic events. Part of those protocols include possibly reducing the number of spectators at events or restricting them all together. Due to the uncertainty of spectators being allowed, or that contests might be canceled due to health risks, Lincoln Public Schools Athletic Department has decided we will not sell Adult Athletic Passes this school year. Admission can be paid in cash at the gate by spectators wanting to attend sporting events where spectators are allowed.

We will continue to sell the annual \$35 High School Student Athletic passes to students with the understanding that there will **not be refunds** given for events that are canceled or where spectators are restricted. These High School Student Athletic passes are icons added to the student's school I.D. and gives them admittance into events where spectators are allowed. If you have any questions, please contact your school's athletic office.

For elementary and middle school students, we will also have \$20 punch cards available at each high school. Again, there will not be refunds given for events that are canceled or where spectators are restricted.

ROCKET READY DAYS

Lincoln Northeast High School would like to welcome our NEW Athletic Director Matt Uher into the Rocket Family. Athletes and their parents will have the opportunity to meet Mr. Matt Uher during Rocket Ready Days. The Athletic Office will have a table set-up during Rocket Ready days so parents can turn in/pick-up Athletic/Activity Packet information, turn in decal order forms or have any Athletic/Activity questions they may have, answered.

Parents new to Northeast Athletics who have not attended the *LNE Athletic Dept/Role of Parents in Athletics* meeting must do so prior to an athlete starting participation. Those who have previously attended this mandatory meeting have met this requirement and do not need to attend further meetings.

Upcoming meeting dates for the 2020-21 school year are:

<u>Fall Sports</u> - Wednesday, August 19, 2020 Via ZOOM Meeting at 6:30 PM using this link https://lps.zoom.us/j/98803295397

Winter Sports - Thursday, November 19, 2020 (TBA at 6:30 PM)

Spring Sports - Tuesday, March 16, 2021 (TBA at 6:30 PM)

Parents who are unable to attend one of these dates, must call the Athletics & Activities office, 436-1337, to schedule an individual meeting in the Activities Office. Parents will still be expected to attend individual sports pre-season parent meetings conducted by head coaches.

2020-2021 Athletic/Activity Participation Packet Instructions

The Nebraska School Activities Association requires each student (Grades 9-12) who participates in any of the NSAA sanctioned Athletic or Activity programs, including Unified Sports, Cheer and Dance, to annually have a Parent and Student Consent Record completed and Physical Examination on file. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the NSAA has changed their pre-physical examination requirement for 2020-21 only. Incoming freshmen and 10-12 grade students trying out for a team for the first time would still be required to get a physical examination dated May 1st, 2020 or after. Students who have a physical on file from participation in 2019-20 would be exempt from having to get a new exam for the 2020-21 school year. A new parent and student consent will still need to be submitted. The first day of fall sports participation is Monday, August 10th, 2020. Packet information must be completed prior to being allowed to start tryouts. You must have <u>all</u> fines cleared before you may participate in each new season. Fine payments are made online or in Room 102 to Mrs. VanEngen. Uniforms and equipment must be returned to the respective coach. Please encourage your athletes to complete these forms and address all fines as soon as possible rather than waiting until the first day of practice.

The 2020-2021 REQUIRED athletic & activity paperwork is available online at https://home.lps.org/athletics/packet/

**A physical is not required for NSAA Speech, Debate, One-Act Play Production, Journalism and Music participants.

Good luck to all our 2020 – 2021 Athletics and Activity Participants. We look forward to making this another great year at Lincoln Northeast.