**Pine View Middle School**

**2020-2021 Athletic Parent Packet**

**General Information**

All Pine View Middle School traditional, mySchool online, and students who attend Pasco eSchool AND live within the boundary of PVMS are eligible to try out for sport teams for the 2020-2021 school year. Year 1 students may try out for the JV teams, Year 2 may try out for JV and Varsity, and Year 3 may try out for Varsity and all students may participate in more than one sport during the school year.

Students who wish to participate in tryouts must submit completed forms 24 hours before being eligible to tryout. The following forms are available through the school website or the Parent One Note and need to be completed and turned in together for a student to be eligible to participate in tryouts:

Pasco General Information Form for Parents and Students

Pasco Athletic Fees Form 2020-2021

Pasco Athletic Participation Form

FHSAA Physical Form EL2

FHSAA Consent Release from Liability EL3

Pasco Athletic COVID-19 Waiver

Students will need a valid physical to participate in sports. Physicals are good for 1 calendar year and can be printed on the school website. Students MUST use the FHSAA physical form from the school or district website, well visit physicals WILL NOT be accepted. Forms must be notarized. Notaries are available on campus. *Please call first*.

**PVMS sports include:**

**\*\*\*Parents must provide transportation to away games for Football, Cheerleading and Volleyball. There will be NO busses provided for these sports.**

**Football (September – October) \*\* No busses provided\*\***

**Cheerleading (September – March) \*\* No busses Provided\*\***

**Volleyball (September – October) \*\*No Busses Provided\*\***

**Basketball (Girls: Nov-Dec & Boys: Jan – March)**

**Soccer (Boys: November & Girls: January)**

**Track (March – April)**

**Fees**

**Tryout Fees N/A**

**1st Sport $50.00**

**2nd Sport $30.00**

**Family (Same School) $130.00**

**Individual Cap $80.00**

Students have 3 days to pay fees after they make the team. No one will participate in game competition until fees have been paid. Please be aware that participation fee does not guarantee playing time, only the opportunity to be on the team if selected.

More information on tryouts will be given out throughout the year via morning announcements, social media, and school website.

**Return to Athletics – COVID-19 Updates**

The safety and wellbeing of every Panthers is a top priority. The district office, as well as the FHSAA have implemented several new policies in order to mitigate the spread of the virus and protect athletes, coaches, and spectators.

Students will be required to wear masks in the locker room, on the bus to and from games, and when not actively engaged in the game. Masks will be required by all spectators attending any sporting event and must be worn through the whole event.

Some school stadiums may have limited capacity in order to align with social distancing, purchasing tickets in advance when available is encouraged. Some schools may exclusively use electronic ticket sales this school year.

All bag policies are still in place, please see more information regarding bag checks in the safety and security section. In order to limit contact, it is encouraged to only bring necessary items to games.

Student athletes will need to bring their own water bottle to tryouts, practice, and games. There will be areas that water bottles can be refilled as needed.

**Security and Safety**

Only bags that are clear plastic and/or clear vinyl, Ziploc bags, small clutch-type purses no larger than 4x6 inches, diaper bags, and medically necessary items are permitted inside an event venue. No other bags of ANY kind are permitted, except for properly credentialed school and professional photographers’ camera bags.

ALL BAGS ARE SUBJECT TO SEARCH UPON ENTRY.

The following items are prohibited:

Firearms, weapons of any kind, knives Pets (service animals are permitted)

Any item that can be used a missile Sticks/poles/camera “selfie” sticks

Fireworks Unmanned Aircraft Systems/Drones

Coolers, Glass containers Food and Drinks not purchased at venue

Illegal drugs Alcoholic Beverages of any kind

Aerosol Cans Recreational Balls

Horns/Lasers

**Patron Code of Conduct**

Students are expected to abide by the Pasco County Schools Student Code of Conduct. When attending a game, you are required to refrain from the following behaviors:

1. Behavior that is unruly, disruptive or illegal.
2. Intoxication or other signs of impairment that result in irresponsible behavior.
3. Foul or abusive language or gestures.
4. Interference with the progress of the game.
5. Failing to follow instructions of school officials.
6. Verbal or physical harassment of opposing team fans.

Event patrons are responsible for their conduct as well as the conduct of their guests. Event patrons and guests who violate these provisions will be subject to ejection without refund and loss of ticket privileges for future games.

**Sportsmanship**

An integral tenet of the District School Board of Pasco County’s athletic program is its strong belief in sportsmanship. The FHSAA defines sportsmanship as the following:

1. Sportsmanship is a demonstration of generosity and genuine concern for others. It is a concrete measure of the understanding and commitment to fair play, ethical behavior and integrity.
2. Sportsmanship is a blending of cheers for “your team” and applause for the “opponents,” observing the letter and spirit of the rules, and showing consideration for others.
3. Sportsmanship is the “golden rule” of athletics – treating others as you wish to be treated.
4. Sportsmanship is respect – respect for others and one’s self.
5. Sportsmanship is all this and much more.
6. For a coach, sportsmanship might be accepting a “questionable” call without protest.
7. For a student-athlete, it may be extending a helping hand to an opponent who is down.
8. For a spectator, it might be cheering for his team when it loses and applauding the opponent when it wins.
9. For an official, it may be showing restraint when verbally challenged by coaches, athletes and spectators.
10. Sportsmanship encompasses all that which is good in human nature.

Sportsmanship also includes posting on Social Media. The FHSAA is finding that many problems are arising from athletes taunting on Internet sites such as YouTube, Instagram, and Facebook and will not be tolerated by student athletes of PVMS

**Unsportsmanlike Conduct**

* General unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but may not be limited to, the use of profanity, flagrant foul, or other unsportsmanlike acts.
* Gross unsportsmanlike conduct is an act of malicious and hateful nature toward a contest official or opponent. Such acts include but are not limited to: cursing, fighting, striking, or threatening a contest official during a contest or at:
* Any other time because of resentment over occurrences or decisions during a contest.
* Physical contact with an opponent that is beyond the normal scope of competition and appears to be with the intent of inflicting bodily harm on the opponent.
* Spitting on a contest official or opponent.
* Directing gender, racial, or ethnic comments or slurs toward a contest official or opponent; or other such acts that may be deemed unacceptable conduct by the principal of the school.

**PENALTIES FOR UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT**

1. Coach: The payment of all fines assessed against the school by the FHSAA will be the responsibility of the coach or coaches involved in the unsportsmanlike act.

2. Athlete: An athlete who is ejected or disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct will not participate in or represent his or her school in any further athletic contests until all fines assessed have been paid.

An athlete who is ejected or disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct is subject to additional disciplinary action by the principal of the school depending on the severity of the unsportsmanlike behavior. Athletics are an extension of the school day and athletes are subject to the same regulations found in the Student Code of Conduct.

The above consequences are general in nature and could be more serious depending on the severity of the infraction.  Each school may have additional consequences as outlined in their athletic handbook.

**Weather and Changes to Schedules**

Many times, there are changes to tryouts, practice, and game schedules due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Changes are often made over the school announcements, social media, and through remind.