

# ***St. Francis Xavier Athletics***

## ***Registration Information***

### ***2011/2012***

**Registrants must return, along with payment:**

- (1) A completed Activity Fees Schedule**
- (2) A signed and completed Family Information/Waiver and Release Form  
(which includes the Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook Acknowledgement)**

#### **NEW THIS YEAR**

#### **YEARLY SPORTS PHYSICALS**

**REQUIRED—ALL SFX ATHLETES MUST HAVE ON FILE A SPORTS PHYSICAL FORM.**

A Sports Physical Form for you and your child's physician/PA to complete and sign is included in this packet. For students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade, a copy of the school required health form is acceptable.

The Sports Physical Forms are not due with the registration information; however, no student athlete may participate in any practices or evaluations until a form is on file with the Athletic Committee. **Note, exception for May 2011 evaluations:** *Physicals are not required on file by May 2011 for fall girls' basketball evaluations.*

Return completed physical forms to the school office to the attention of Athletics.

#### **Registration Deadline:**

## **Friday, May 13, 2011**

**The Complete Registration Packet and Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook  
can be found online at**

<http://sfx.aisclients.com/school> (under Athletics).

**Please take a moment to review these items.**

**2011/2012 St. Francis Xavier School Athletic Program  
REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

*Please retain this  
document for reference*

**NOTE:** Please read the SFX Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook posted on the school website under Athletics which requires acknowledgment of review by signature.

This year we will again be offering a full range of athletic opportunities for students in grades 5 through 8.

**Fall:** Football, Cross Country, Cheerleading, Girls Volleyball (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade), & Girls Basketball (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Winter:** Boys Basketball, Girls Volleyball (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade), Girls Basketball (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Spring:** Track & field

Students are able to participate in two sports at St. Francis Xavier during the same season. For example: football and cross country run concurrent seasons during the fall, so students can play both sports for that season. Keep in mind that participating in two sports during one season and fulfilling academic requirements can be demanding. St. Francis Xavier expects all parents to consider the individual needs of each child when making this decision.

**ATHLETIC FEES:** Payment of all activity fees is due at the time of registration. Due to an increase in rental of outside venues, increases in league fees, and salary requirements for staff, many of our sports have necessary nominal increases in the sport activity fees. If full payment represents a hardship for your family, please contact the Athletic Director to make alternate payment arrangements.

**'A' TEAM FEES:** Players at the A level of competition for basketball and volleyball will pay an additional charge for the additional tournaments in which they participate. Typically, A teams play in more tournaments because tournaments are more readily available at the A level. The additional fee will be collected after team selection.

**REFUND POLICY:** Any requests for refunds must be submitted to the Athletic Director in writing, stating the reason for the request. The Athletic Committee will take the request under advisement at the next monthly meeting. Full refunds will only be given in the case of student transfers or medical reasons.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

A \$20 late fee will be assessed on late registrations and on any missing/incomplete forms. If **ALL** forms are not completed and returned by the registration deadline (Activity Fees Schedule and **SIGNED** Family Information/Waiver and Release Form), your place on a team may be forfeit. A registration deadline is required because the number of teams at each grade level must be determined and submitted to the Suburban Parochial League in the spring. Any registration requests made after the deadline will be brought before the Athletic Committee to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**SPORTS PHYSICALS:** Beginning in 2011, yearly sports physicals will be required for all athletes participating in SFX sports. A physical form for you and you physician/PA to complete is included in the packet. The Sports Physical Forms are not due with the registration information; however, no student athlete may participate in any practices or evaluations until a form is on file with the Athletic Committee. **NOTE: Exception for May 2011.** *Physicals are not required on file for girls' basketball evaluations in May 2011.*

**OPEN POSITIONS:** The Athletic Committee currently has the following open positions that we are looking to fill. Please consider lending your time and talents to the Athletic Committee.

- **Cross Country/ Track & Field Coordinator**
- **Homecoming Coordinator**
- **Indoor Concessions Coordinator**
- **Football Concessions Co- coordinator**
- **Special Events Coordinator**

Please complete and return the following:

- **SFX Athletics Activity Fees Schedule with payment (Checks payable to SFX)**
- **Family Information / Waiver and Release Form**

All completed forms should be mailed to: **St. Francis Xavier School, Attn: Athletics  
145 N. Waiola Avenue  
La Grange, IL 60525**

Thank you,  
The SFX Athletic Committee

**FAMILY INFORMATION / WAIVER AND RELEASE FORM**

**\* Complete Both Sides of This Form \***

Family Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional emails to send information: \_\_\_\_\_

**Children Registering for SFX Sports:**

1) Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. STUDENT-ATHLETE & PARENT HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We have read and understand the St. Francis Xavier Athletic Program Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook, paying special attention to Student Eligibility Requirements, the Athletes Code of Conduct, Expectations of the Parents/Guardians, and the Uniform Return Policy. Our signatures below confirm our agreement to be bound by these requirements.

**2. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS  
FOR PARTICIPATION IN ATHLETIC PROGRAMS**

Please read this information carefully and be aware that by signing this form you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries your student might sustain arising from these programs. We hereby certify that the above-named student(s) has/have my/our permission to participate in all activities of the St. Francis Xavier athletic program. I/We hereby, for ourselves, and on behalf of our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, waive, release and discharge the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, St. Francis Xavier Parish, St. Francis Xavier School, employees, coaches, volunteers and any other persons connected with the athletic program from any responsibility or liability whatsoever for any losses, injury, death or other damage sustained in any activity during or surrounding the athletic program. I/We are signing this waiver of liability of our own free will.

I/WE HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF THE ABOVE PROGRAMS AND WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS.

**SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF STUDENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF STUDENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF STUDENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signatures Required**

## 2011/2012 SFX Athletic Activity Fees Schedule

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Due Date: Friday, May 13, 2011**

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A \$20 late fee will be assessed for registration materials not returned by the due date

Batch # \_\_\_\_\_

Family Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student' s Name	Grade 2011	Please Specify Uniform Size:  YS/YM/YL/YXL AS/AM/AL/AXL (Top/Bottom)	Cross Country  5 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug-Oct  Fee \$40	Cheerleading  5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> July-Oct  Fee \$30	Football  5 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug-Oct  Fee \$155	Girls' Basketball  7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug-Oct 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan-Mar  Base Fee \$75*	Boys' Basketball  5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Oct-Feb  Base Fee \$115*	Girls' Volleyball  5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug-Oct 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov-Jan  Base Fee \$55*	T rack & Field  5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Mar-May  Fee \$40	SUB- TOTAL
<b>Falcon Pass (Optional)</b>	Covers family admission to any SFX Athletic Home Gym Events (see Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook).								Fee \$30 (Optional)	
	<i>Return checks, completed Fees Schedule, Family Information/Waiver and Release forms to St. Francis Xavier, Attn: Athletics</i>								<b>TOTAL</b>	

Checks payable to  
St. Francis Xavier

**\* NOTE: There will be an additional fee for players selected to the 'A' teams:**

\$5 for Volleyball; \$10 for GirlsøBasketball; \$25 for BoysøBasketball.

This fee will be collected at uniform distribution, after team selections have been made.

**\* Complete Both Sides of This Form \***

# SFX FALCON FOOTBALL 2011

## KEY DATES

**Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** (Varsity ó 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade **1:00 pm**; JV ó 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade **1:30 pm**)

ÉEquipment distribution and *unofficial* pre-season weigh-in (wear shorts and a tee shirt)

ÉJoyce Hall

**Note:** There will be one (1) day (Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>) for participants to pick up their equipment.

**THIS IS THE ONLY DAY.** (Please bring a large garbage bag to hold the equipment.)

To receive equipment participants must have:

ÉPaid the Activity Fee

ÉSubmitted the signed Family Information / Waiver and Consent Forms

**Monday through Thursday, July (11<sup>th</sup> ó 14<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>)**

ÉNon-mandatory, no contact football camp (6:00 ó 8:00 **pm**)

ÉLTHS South Campus (Varsity and Junior Varsity players)

ÉPlease wear helmet, shoulder pads/practice jersey, football cleats, shorts and tee shirt

**Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**

ÉFirst practice: Lyons Township H.S. South Campus (6 ó 8 pm)

ÉShorts and helmets only

ÉPARENT MEETING: There will be a brief parent meeting at the end of the first practice at the practice field location starting at 7:30 pm.

**Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**

ÉFirst practice in full equipment

(IHS/SPFL rule ó MANDATORY; every player must complete 3 practices in shorts and helmet before they are allowed to participate in contact drills)

**Pre-Season Practice Schedule:**

ÉAugust 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>

ÉAugust 15<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup>

ÉAugust 22<sup>nd</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup>

(IHS/SPFL rule ó MANDATORY; every player must complete a minimum of 12 practices, including shorts and helmet practices, before they are eligible to participate in a game)

Practice Time: 6:00 pm ó 8:00 pm at Lyons Township H.S. South Campus

After the 2011-2012 school year begins, practices will be three (3) days a week: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

ÉFirst weigh-in: SFX time slot (7 am ó 7:10 am) at Visitation school in Elmhurst

ÉMeet at SFX school parking lot 6:25 am; depart 6:35 am

**Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**

ÉFirst game: St. Michael at SFX (Nazareth Academy)

ÉHome Games will be played at Nazareth Academy in LaGrange Park

Additional Information: League rules, game schedule, weigh-in dates, directions to fields, etc.

Please visit the Suburban Parochial Football League (SPFL) website: [www.spfl.org](http://www.spfl.org).

## **OVERVIEW**

The SFX football coaching staff has committed time to host a voluntary, non-contact football camp in July. In addition to shorts and a tee shirt, please wear your helmet, shoulder pads and football cleats to camp.

Even though the football camp is not mandatory, new offensive/defensive schemes and drills will be taught. It is encouraged that the boys make as many of the camp dates as possible, so they have ample time to learn these new systems and drills in anticipation of the upcoming season.

All football players are expected to adhere to the SFX Honor Code of Conduct in addition to the Participant's Rules and Regulations which are found in the Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook.

Please complete surveys. This allows for the SFX football coaching staff and Athletic Committee to gather input and evaluate the program.

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments or concerns. Thank You.

**Tom Kiley** ó SFX Football Coordinator/Varsity Coach

h: (708) 354-7361 / m: (708) 334-7361 / e: [tomkiley@ameritech.net](mailto:tomkiley@ameritech.net)



Varsity Head Coach

Jim Farnan

Junior Varsity Head Coach

Tom Moore

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## **VARSITY FOOTBALL PLAYERS ONLY:**

All Varsity players are required to stay for the duration of both the Varsity 'A' and 'B' team football games. The purpose of this is to promote camaraderie, team building and support.

However, the SFX Athletic Committee and coaches remain flexible and sensitive to unexpected family events/occurrences and will accept reasonable excused early dismissal from games or late arrival to games with previous notice.

Please contact the head coach if events should determine your inability to stay for the duration of both Varsity football games, arrive late for the start of or leave early after the completion of the Varsity football game, absences or early dismissal from practice, late arrival to practice, etc

The consequence of not adhering to this varsity football program rule is the possibility of reduced playing time and/or a player's starting position may be compromised.

The Suburban Parochial Football League (SPFL) is a competitive league. The won/lost record is recorded for the Varsity games only, and then through a playoff series, a championship is earned in both the Gold and Silver divisions. Therefore, when determining playing time in the Varsity A game, emphasis will be placed on skill level. It should be expected that there will be some 8<sup>th</sup> graders playing predominately/exclusively in the B game.

## **ALL SFX FOOTBALL FAMILIES:**

Again this year, we will have the privilege of hosting our home football games at Nazareth Academy's Valenta Stadium. It is the policy of Nazareth Academy and St. Francis Xavier, for the safety of our spectators. **NO ONE IS ALLOWED UNDER THE FOOTBALL STANDS AT ANY TIME** PLEASE; monitor your children and others. If you witness children playing under the stands, please ask them to play elsewhere. Please respect your surroundings as invited guests. Please dispose of trash in receptacles located throughout the stadium.

## SFX CHEERLEADING 2011

Cheerleading at St Francis is a non-competitive sport. The intention of our program is to show support for the St. Francis Falcons football teams and to provide girls in grades 5-8 an opportunity to learn skills in cheering and pom/dance in a uniquely co-operative atmosphere. For many girls, this is a chance to display their talents in a way that is different from the other sports she may participate in.

At the fifth and sixth grade (JV) levels, the squads mainly cheer at the home games of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys' football teams, respectively, which take place on Sundays in the fall at Nazareth Academy. Cheering at away games will be at the discretion of the coaches, coordinator and the squad itself and usually only happens if the football schedule does not include enough home games.

At the seventh and eighth grade (Varsity) levels, the squads generally cheer at both home and away games of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' football games, also on Sundays in the fall. Parents should expect to be asked to help with driving to away games. (FYI - Coaches cannot arrange carpools. Parents must arrange their own carpools.)

Practices for all levels of cheerleading are held primarily in the summer to prepare for the fall season. Exact scheduling will be determined by the individual coaches. Most squads practice once or twice a week throughout the summer. While missing a few practices for vacation or camp is understandable, anyone who is unavailable for the majority of the summer would not be an appropriate prospect for cheerleading. Once the school year begins (with the exception of the week before Homecoming Pep Rally), practices are generally only held on Sundays before games.

Each squad has its own personality and the decisions regarding such things as practice times, participation in away games, and the balance between cheering and dancing, are made by the coaches and coordinator with that in mind.

Uniforms (including ðollies) are provided by the SFX Athletic Committee, however, girls may be asked to purchase shoes to match the rest of the squad. All attempts are made to keep these costs at a minimum.

All cheerleaders are expected to adhere to an Honor Code of Conduct in addition to the Student Athlete Eligibility Requirements and Regulations which are found in the Student-Athlete & Parent Handbook.

If you have any questions about the St Francis Cheerleading program please don't hesitate to call.

**Becky Hayes**  
SFX Cheerleading Coordinator  
(708) 354-7236



# SFX CROSS COUNTRY 2011

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

SFX competes in the Suburban Parochial League Cross Country Conference (SPL). Last season, a total of twenty-five schools competed in the SPL. The first meet of a five-meet season is tentatively set to begin on Saturday, September 3, 2011. The meets continue on each Saturday until the Championship Meet on October 1, 2011. The meets start at 9:00 a.m. and are typically over by 11:30 a.m. 5<sup>th</sup> grade runs one mile, 6<sup>th</sup> grade runs 1.5 miles, and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades run two miles. SFX also competes in the C.Y.O. cross country meet. We expect this meet will be held on October 15, 2011. Location is still to be confirmed, but the meet was held last year at Maryville Academy, Des Plaines, IL.

## **PRACTICES:**

Practices are held at Spring Rock Park in Western Springs. We expect the first practice will be held on or about August 7, 2011. An informational email will be sent to all runners in July to apprise the athletes of the practice and meet schedules. We do our best to accommodate student athletes wanting to compete in two sports in the fall and believe that running cross country benefits the conditioning of those athletes also competing in football, volleyball and basketball. Weekday practices run from 5:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., but with diminishing daylight late in the season, practices will be shortened by 30 minutes, with practices running from 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. beginning around September 19, 2011. Sunday practices are scheduled early in the season and run from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We expect athletes to attend at least two practices per week, but are understanding of conflicts due to other activities.

## **COACHING STAFF:**

John Mulholland returns as head coach and we are fortunate to have a number of assistant coaches returning for the 2011 season. However, we are looking for an infusion of new coaches and a new Cross Country / Track & Field Coordinator to carry on the program in 2011 and beyond. This year would be a great time to get started in SFX cross country!

## **PHILOSOPHY:**

Cross country does not have "A" or "B" teams and all grades practice together. Everyone who competes in our meets is a starter. Our philosophy has always been to work hard but to have fun in the process, and we will strive to adhere to that principle in the coming season. The SFX coaching staff has a shared passion for the sport of cross country, and our hope is to transfer that passion to our athletes and to instill in them a love of running and conditioning that will last not only for a season but will carry over for a lifetime.



# SFX GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL 2011/12

## VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

SFX volleyball participates in the Suburban Parochial League West (SPLW). The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade season runs from the second week in August through November. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade season runs from November through January. If tournaments are available for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams, the season may continue into March. You can expect volleyball practice about 3 times per week before games start. Then, depending on game schedule, practice may change to 2 times per week with games 2 times per week. Practices and games may also be scheduled on weekends. In the past, we have used alternate practice facilities -- Congress Park in Brookfield and The Max in McCook -- but the majority of practices take place in the school gym. All registered volleyball players will need to take part in scheduled evaluations to insure proper placement on teams.

## EVALUATIONS!!!!

*5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade evaluations will take place the second week in August. According to IHSA and SPL rules, the earliest date that teams may start practicing is August 10<sup>th</sup>. First games for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade may start the weekend before school begins! Selected teams and coaches will be emailed to each participant within the week following evaluations.*

5 <sup>th</sup> GRADE	Evaluations August 8 <sup>th</sup> 4-6pm	Need 2-3 Coaches
6 <sup>th</sup> GRADE	Evaluations August 9 <sup>th</sup> 4-6pm	Need 2-3 Coaches
7 <sup>th</sup> GRADE	Evaluations in late October	Need 2-3 Coaches
8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE	Evaluations in late October	Blue Coach: Nora Murphy Need B-Team coach

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade evaluation will provide 2-3 teams of equal skill. Depending on the number of participants, the 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will have an "A / Blue" team and possibly two equal "B" teams as necessary to keep team size manageable.

## SFX VOLLEYBALL COACHES:

The SFX Volleyball Program is managed and coached by volunteers. We are in need of volunteer volleyball coaches at every level. If you know of anyone who is interested, please have him or her contact me. If you think that you may have the time, but not necessarily the qualifications, consider the following:

1. I will help develop a lesson plan for each practice with you.
2. If your daughter is attending a volleyball camp this summer, stay and watch ó you'dl pick up some lingo and some drills.
3. There will be a coaches meeting in August before school starts.
4. When you are asked to be the second adult at a practice, get involved with the drills.
5. We always try to have two parents coach together, so you would have someone to bounce ideas and questions off of.

**Head Coaches must be 21+ years of age and Virtus trained. We are allowed to use High School students to do the “coaching,” however, the official Head Coach must be an adult and will be responsible for managing the team, for ensuring that the sports physical/emergency consent forms are available at every game and practice, arranging for 2 non-related, Virtus trained adults to be present at all practices and be on the bench for all games. In the event, that we do not find a Head Coach for a specific team, a parent from that team will be assigned to the position.**

### **UNIFORMS:**

Uniforms will be supplied by SFX. These uniforms will be used for the next 5 years, so please treat them gently. If uniforms are not returned in the same condition given to you, or if a uniform is not returned, a fee will be charged for the replacement of that uniform.

*Uniform Socks:* The volleyball registration fee will cover one pair of volleyball socks, which will be purchased through the SFX athletic committee. Socks are the volleyball players to keep; they need not be returned.

Knee Pads and appropriate shoes are required. (Player's responsibility.)

### **PARENT PARTICIPATION:**

One Parent will be assigned as the Team Parent to coordinate communications from Coach to Parents. According to our by-laws, 2 non-related adults must be present from the beginning of practice until the last child is picked up. All coaches must have completed the Protecting God's Children Program. Coaches may assign parents to be a back-up parent, in the event that one coach will be late/required to leave early, or if only one coach is available to attend a practice. To serve as a back-up parent, you are not required to have completed the training program.

Also, parents will be required to work the door and concessions for each home game!!! The volleyball coordinator will make the schedule.

### **VOLLEYBALL SUMMER CAMPS:**

Please have the girls practice their skills over the summer, get together with others and play at the park and join some volleyball summer camps to learn more skills. SFX Skills camp will be held in June for incoming 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. If you have not received information regarding 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball camp, please contact Donna Skonning, Volleyball Coordinator. Nazareth, Fenwick, Loyola Univ., DePaul, Lions Jrs. and LT also host camps so check them out.

Thank you in advance for all of your help with the SFX Volleyball Program,  
And thank you for the opportunity to teach and coach your girls this GREAT GAME!

Sincerely,

**Donna Skonning**  
SFX Volleyball Coordinator  
[donnaskon@ameritech.net](mailto:donnaskon@ameritech.net)  
(708) 579-4345



## SFX GIRLS' BASKETBALL 2011/12

I would like to thank all the girls and their families who have been a part of our program. Without all of you, the program would not be a success. I would also like to thank all the coaches who donated so much time to the program.

I also want to welcome all of the 2011-2012 5<sup>th</sup> graders. It is our hope that you consider playing basketball next year. Besides having the opportunity to have fun with your classmates, it is a great chance to learn about teamwork and good sportsmanship.

Please contact me if you are interested in being part of the girls' basketball program. You may contact me by email: [jmcnich@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmcnich@sbcglobal.net) OR phone: 708-352-4951 (home) or 708-308-9552 (cell).

### **EVALUATIONS:**

**Evaluations for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball teams will be held from 6-8pm on Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

*\*\*Girls are expected to attend both dates.*

The requirement for Sports Physical forms will be waived for the May 2011 evaluations, but must be on file with the athletics department in order to participate in the August practices.

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Evaluations**

**6:00-7:00pm Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

#### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Evaluations**

**7:00-8:00pm Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Evaluations for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls will be held before Christmas break.** You will be notified by email of the dates/times as the season gets closer.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Keep in mind that there is contact during a basketball game/practice. Jewelry (this includes earrings) and hair clips must always be removed before players can compete. A mouth guard for kids with braces is highly recommended.

You will receive information, prior to the start of your child's season, about schedules, dress code, team parent expectations and parent schedules for working the concession stand and the door.

We are always looking for tournaments to participate in, especially at the B team level. If any of you have information or knowledge about tournaments, please contact me directly.

Thanks for your support!

**Jim McNicholas**

Girls' Basketball Coordinator



## SFX BOYS' BASKETBALL 2011/12

The basketball evaluations for boys in grades 5 through 8 will be held in mid- to late October. The team selection process for the 2011-2012 season will remain largely the same as previous years. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys will be divided into equal teams and play in an instructional league. The 6<sup>th</sup> ó 8<sup>th</sup> graders play in a more competitive league and are divided into 1 ðAö team, with the remaining players divided into equal ðBö teams. The evaluations and team selections will be completed by independent evaluators.

All players are given the opportunity to learn team concepts, sportsmanship and basketball fundamentals. To take advantage of this opportunity, all players are required to attend scheduled practices (1-3 per week) and scheduled games and tournaments. We will continue to utilize off-site facilities such as the Park District of LaGrange, Congress Park and Ogden School. Over the next several months, the Athletic Committee will be working on securing court time again this year so our Basketball and Volleyball players can enjoy the same (or more) practice time as last year.

Participation fees have increased to help cover increased costs for referee's tournaments and other operating expenses. The additional "A" team fee is due to greater participation in tournaments, nonconference games and practices and will be collected from players making an ðAö team prior to uniform distribution.

To continue the success of our program we need your help. We are in need of coaches and other helpers; please contact me if you are interested in being part of the boysøbasketball program. You may contact me by email [tmurphy@hinsdalebank.com](mailto:tmurphy@hinsdalebank.com), phone 708-579-9173 (home), or 630-321-2174 (work).

We are required to submit the number of teams competing at each grade level at the June league meeting. The number of teams is based on the number of players that sign up during the registration process. Therefore, we may not be able to accommodate late sign-ups for boysøbasketball. Please return your registration on time.

Please contact me with any questions you have regarding boysøbasketball.

Have a great summer!

**Tim Murphy**  
BoysøBasketball Coordinator

