Wachter Middle School Boy's 7th and 8th Grade Soccer

Welcome parents and players to the beginning of the 2023 boy's 7^{th} and 8^{th} grade soccer season! Season Outline:

7th and 8th grade players will be combined to create an A team and B team division. So, for the first week both grades will practice together and then teams will be split. If you have further questions please see Coach Healy, coordinator, or Dallas Hinderer, athletic director WMS.

Practices and Games:

Attendance at practice is important. We understand that everyone has responsibilities and other commitments, such as football or cross country that may conflict with practices, but we expect each player to attend as many practices as possible. We do support players participating in other sports. Please have your player come to practice on time and please pick them up promptly after practice is over. If a player is unable to make a practice or a game they will need to contact their coach. Communication is KEY!

First week of practice is as followed:

First day: Monday, August 21st: 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Tuesday, August 22nd: 6:00 - 7:30 pm Wednesday, August 23rd: 4:15 - 5:15 pm

See Calendar link for the remainder of the practices.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/19xYYes30Iib5hb0XrfPeCVFbNH7gcQEmrupxvwSG8wE/edit?usp=sharing

Practices will be held at Wachter. Game locations will vary depending on the opponent and field availability. As soon as a game schedule is completed it will be uploaded to the WMS activities calendar.

Requirements/Equipment/Fees:

- 1. Before the season each player must have a physical. Athletes must have this completed before they can practice. You can upload this form online when you register. All players also much be registered online, see athletic page for registration.
- 2. Each player needs to pay a \$40 participation fee prior to the first competition on My Payments Plus.
- 3. Each player must purchase a jersey for the games. They are \$10 and they are the players to keep at the end of the season. Pay this fee online on My Payments Plus or give the money to one of the coaches. 8TH grade players may use their jersey from the previous year. To complete their uniform players, need black shorts and black socks.
- 4. We will use the **REMIND** app as our primary source of communication. See next page on how to join.
- 5. Athletes are to bring shin guards, cleats and/or running shoes, <u>water bottle</u>, and a ball (optional) to practice. Players should be dressed for the weather.
- 6. All jewelry must be removed before practice and games.
- 7. *Optional* Players and families can purchase WMS soccer gear. See online order link. https://shop.game-one.com/north-dakota/bismarck/wachter-wildcats/wildcats-soccer

Philosophies and Objectives:

- 1. Have fun and grow as a player and team!
- 2. Good Sportsmanship is required by all!
- 3. Teach soccer fundamentals and teamwork.
- 4. Provide a safe environment.
- 5. Our success is measured by how much we improve as a team, not by our wins or losses.

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Follow the directions below to connect with us on the REMIND app.

