



F.A.I.T.H. Falcons
"Faithfully Assisting In Teaching Homeschoolers"

June 1, 2019

Dear Homeschooling Family,

We will be offering girl's volleyball again this coming fall, 2019 season, for homeschoolers ages 10 (by 12/1/19) to age 18. We will have four teams; an Elementary team (12U), Junior High team (14U), a Junior Varsity team, as well as a Varsity team (maximum age 18 prior to 9/1/19). We have scheduled home games to be played at Hunter's Creek Community Church in Lapeer and away games, which will be played at the opposing team's court. It will be the responsibility of the players to obtain transportation to all games. We will be competing against Christian Schools, some Charter Schools, as well as other homeschool groups in the area and surrounding areas.

We will hold MANDATORY Team Placement Practices for all girls (if needed based on number of registrants), to determine which of the four teams they will be placed on based on skill level, age and number of registered players. Placement of players will be at the discretion of the coaches. We will hold two Team Placement Practices. All players will be expected at one or the other of these practices, based on the following criteria. The first Team Placement Practice is scheduled for **Friday, July 26th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for girls age 15+ by 9/1/19.** The second is scheduled for **Monday, July 29th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for girls age 10-14 by 9/1/19.** **Exception to this would be if a player younger than 15 was placed on the JV or Varsity team last season. We would like them to attend the team placement for the 15+ date. The coaches may request a player to participate in one or the other team placement, if they wish to observe them in another situation.**

Due to the nature of "competitive" team sports, it is necessary to practice as a team and to learn technique and important rules of play. If your daughter is planning to participate in volleyball this year, it would benefit her to be present at all practices, if possible. A practice and game schedule may be accessed at any time at www.faithhomeschool.net under the "calendar" tab, for the most up-to-date information and changes. Practice will be two to three times a week in the afternoons/evenings typically on Monday and Thursday, with an occasional Friday, in August. These practices will be for skill development to improve individual skills, as well as team skills. Once games begin, we will have two games a week with an additional practice (an occasional third game may be scheduled). Commitment being three times a week. The regular season will end mid to late October and we will plan to participate in the state competition the end of October (JV & Varsity Girls may participate in the regional tournament in Indiana this year, as well, depending on interest). Our season will conclude with a Fall Sports Awards Program the beginning of November, where each player will receive a participation certificate and other awards will be given.

We want our teams to feel and look "official" so we will be using team uniforms at all games. Returning players will not need to purchase a uniform unless a replacement is needed. New players will require a uniform purchase. Uniforms will be ordered by the F.A.I.T.H. Sports Program and paid for by the player. The player's jersey will have their last name and number printed on them and will be used for consecutive years of play so keep this in mind when ordering sizes! (These uniforms are also used for basketball if your daughter is interested in playing girls basketball, as well.) Players will keep their uniform and be responsible for laundering between games. The cost for a full uniform will be \$60 (jersey \$30 & short \$30). The player fee will be \$130. Varsity uniform jersey is different than the other teams and they run SMALL. If your daughter is placed on the Varsity team, a Varsity uniform jersey will need to be purchased, if they don't already have one.

Because F.A.I.T.H. is a Christian program we will expect players, parents, coaches and referees to conduct themselves in a manner that is pleasing to our Lord, Jesus Christ, at all practices and games. Attire needs to be modest and appropriate for the occasion. Players, please either wear your uniform, warm-up attire or clothing that is modest and appropriate to and from the games and practices. Shorts should be fingertip length and no tank tops please. If a problem arises, it will be dealt with immediately! Players are subject to dismissal at the discretion of the F.A.I.T.H. Director and/or the F.A.I.T.H. Board.

If you wish to allow your child to participate in the fall, 2019 Volleyball Season, please fill out the on-line registration form at www.faithhomeschool.net (registration and forms tab). Registrations should be received, by **July 1st – a late fee of \$15 will be added after this date until July 15th.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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