2020 Track & Field Season

The 2020 Track & Field season is just around the corner and I could not be more excited.

If your child is a 3rd-8th grader, I hope he or she will consider joining the team. Athletes will have the opportunity to explore and compete in individual track events (ranging in distances from 50-1600M), individual field events (javelin, long jump, and shot put), and relays. Please take a look at the information that I have provided below.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to email me at:

timothybilotta@yahoo.com

Please keep the following dates in mind:

Friday, February 28th: Deadline to send an e-mail to myself with your child's name, grade and parent contact information.

Friday, February 28th. Mandatory team meeting for all athletes from 3:15-4:00. Parents are encouraged to attend (any basketball players with a game that day will be excused).

Tuesday, March 3rd: Practices begin

Note: I am starting late this year because I am coaching "B" Girls Basketball and the last game is 2/27.

Practices will be offered twice a week. Starting the week of March 16th, we will be practicing 3 days a week. <u>All athletes must attend AT LEAST one of the scheduled practices each week.</u>

Our typical weekly schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday 4:00-5:00
- Thursday 4:00-5:00
- Friday (tentatively starting March 20th) 3:30-5:00

The location of the practices will be Lacy Park in San Marino. The 1st meeting will be near the George Patton Memorial. After that, we will meet on the western end of the park.

UNIFORMS: Uniforms are now available and can be purchased via the link on the HFS athletics webpage. Please note, the link for uniforms will close February 7th. <u>No exceptions.</u>

INVITATIONALS/MEETS: All athletes in 3rd-8th grades will have the opportunity to compete in AT LEAST four meets this season. Those in 3rd-5th grade will end their season on May 8th at the South Pasadena All City Track Meet (unless moved up to the "B" Division).

Our 5th-8th graders will be eligible to qualify for C.Y.O. Prelims and Finals, and MANY of them will. Within reason and advance notice, I will do my best to work around other commitments of my athletes.

Our current 2020 schedule is as follows.

- Sat, March 21 Falcon Invitational @ LaSalle HS (Pasadena)
- Sun, April 5 Raider Relays @ Bishop Amat HS (La Puente)
- April 25 or 26 CYO Regionals @ TBA
- Sun, May 3 CYO prelims @ TBA
- Thurs, May 7 CYO Championships @ TBA
- Fri, May 8 South Pas All City (grades 3 5 only) @ SPHS

We anticipate 50 to 60 athletes participating in track and field this year. At this point, I am the only coach...and I cannot do it alone; managing a group of this size and number is nearly, if not, impossible. Please consider volunteering and talk to Coach Buzz about getting a coaching card. It is a really good source for obtaining your service hours.

Again, if you have further questions, please don't hesitate to contact either myself or Coach Buzz (<u>bcook@holyfamily.org</u>)

Thank You,

Tim Bilotta