

Athletics Department: Year 1 Year-in-Review

Building a Foundation for Excellence at East Aurora High School

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EAST AURORA SCHOOL DISTRICT 131

Our Strategic Vision

- **Mission:** To provide high-quality, diverse, and equitable opportunities for student growth and physical development.
- **Year 1 Focus Areas:**
 - Establishing a positive and inclusive climate.
 - Improving communication and organization.
 - Increasing department visibility and stakeholder engagement.
 - Ensuring Title IX compliance and program assessment.

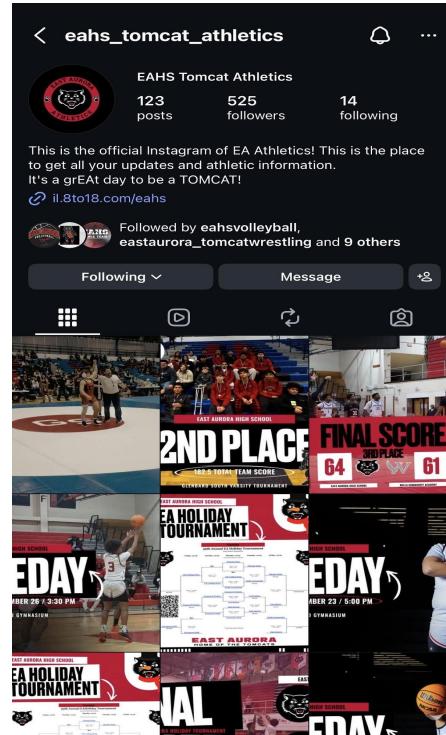
Establishing a Positive & Inclusive Culture

- **Goal:** Celebrate achievement and promote a supportive environment.
- **Accomplishments:**
 - **Senior Banners:** Every senior athlete received a personalized banner to honor their commitment.
 - **Seasonal Banquets:** Successfully brought back seasonal athletics awards banquets to recognize student-athletes' achievements.
 - **Culture Building:** Conducted pre-season coaches' meetings to unify staff and establish shared values.



Increasing Visibility & Stakeholder Engagement

- **Goal:** Active engagement with students, staff, and the community.
- **Accomplishments:**
 - **Social Media Launch:** Established a department Instagram account for live home event updates and score reports.
 - **Parent Involvement:** Held pre-season parent-player meetings to establish equity and bring families into the building.
 - **Active Leadership:** Consistent presence at athletic contests and "drop-in" visits to program practices.



Program Growth & Title IX Expansion



- **Goal:** Analyze student interest and identify potential new programs.
- **Accomplishments:**
 - **Girls Flag Football:** Launched as a new IHSA sport to increase female participation and Title IX compliance.
 - **Boys Volleyball:** Successfully introduced as a new IHSA sport to broaden athletic opportunities.

Communication & Organization

- **Goal:** Develop systems for tracking eligibility and standardizing protocols.
- **Accomplishments:**
 - **Eligibility Protocol:** Established a new, clear protocol for student-athlete eligibility to ensure academic accountability.
 - **Inventory Management:** Currently fulfilling a comprehensive athletics inventory of all sports programs to manage resources effectively.

Building	Student	Student ID	Grade	Gender	Calendar Date	Athletic Eligible	Last Semester Mark Eligible	Current Gradebook Eligible	Attendance Eligible	Social Probation
EAHS					01/02/2026	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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Assessment & Continuous Improvement

- **Goal:** Evaluate the effectiveness of coaching practices and department leadership.
- **Accomplishments:**
 - **Post-Season Surveys:** Implemented a multi-directional feedback system:
 - Assistant coaches evaluating head coaches.
 - Head coaches providing feedback on the Athletics Director.
 - **Data-Driven Decisions:** Using survey results to refine coaching mentorship and professional development for Year 2.

Section 1 of 2

End of Season: Coach Feedback on Athletic Director Support

Your feedback is essential for the continued growth of our programs and our coaching staff. Please provide feedback on the Head Coach and the program operations based on your observations this season. Be honest, constructive, and thorough.

Please rate the following areas on a scale of 1 to 5.

Questions Responses 23 Settings

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Assistant Coach Program & Head Coach Feedback

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Please rate the following areas on a scale of 1 to 5.

• 1 = Ineffective / Needs Significant Improvement
• 2 = Needs Improvement
• 3 = Meets Expectations / Adequate
• 4 = Effective
• 5 = Highly Effective / Exceptional

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Looking Ahead: Year 2 – Building Capacity

- **Next Steps:**
 - Formalize coaching evaluation processes.
 - Expand community partnerships and booster engagement.
 - Begin implementation of a long-term facilities improvement plan.



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