

Activities Director Report- Frank Bartsch
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Fall sports are off to a good start. Our volleyball team has 26 student-athletes participating and the varsity team is sitting at a 15-2 record which puts them at 17th in the state according to QRF in Class A. They recently won the Pierz tournament against AA and AAA teams, and they looked primed to make a run in the playoffs in the next month.

The Junior High football team has 8 student-athletes participating (seven 8th graders and one 7th grader) and have played very good football as of late. They have played some larger schools this season and the coaches have told me they have improved each week. They have 7 games scheduled and only 3 are against 9-man schools. The other teams play 11-man. Each team plays offense according to their classification (which means our boys play 9-man against a 9-man D and then the other team plays 11-man offense against our 11-man).

All games scheduled for this fall and winter are live on our website schedule. I was able to schedule that one extra girls' game I was looking for. The girls will kick off the season on 11/21 at the Greenway/Nashwauk cooperative in Nashwauk's new gym. The boys will kick off at home vs Cromwell on 12/2. Each team has been scheduled for 24 games.

Our home volleyball tournament went well. Our team came in 2nd to a highly ranked Mabel-Canton squad. All of the teams except one are planning to return next season on 8/28. We are actively searching for one more team to make it an 8-team tournament again.

We are always in need of people to take tickets at games, so please pass the word around.

As always, if you see any issues that need to be brought to my attention or have topics you would like me to include in my monthly reports, please let me know via email at fbartsch@isd698.org or phone at 218.269.9207. The same goes for any questions you may have.
Go Bears!

Thank you,

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