

Activities/Community Education Report for August 2025

The 2025-2026 school year got underway today with the official beginning of practices for 9-12 football, 7-12 soccer, and 7-12 volleyball. Junior high football will begin their practices next Monday as they start games a week after the other programs play. Initial participation numbers look to be very similar to the start of last year with girls soccer seeing a small increase, including the addition of girls from Laporte as part of a newly formed co-op in soccer. As part of MSHSL realignment, football has been placed in a new district with several familiar schools from the Northland Conference in which most of our other activities participate already. A few highlights of the upcoming fall season include recognition of the state championship boys golf team at halftime of a home football game, the home varsity volleyball invitational on September 13, and a variety of homecoming activities during the week of September 15-20, including the parade during the school day on Friday the 19th. Finally, both the extracurricular and coaches' handbooks have been updated with minor format and grammar revisions.

The new Community Education catalog has been mailed to district residents and is also available on the district website. We have begun taking registrations for youth enrichment classes such as Lego League and Book Club, youth safety including Driver's Education, adult-gearred arts and aquatics classes, and our fall youth flag football and volleyball programs. We invite any community members with a love of the game and the enjoyment of working with young kids to consider helping coach one of our youth teams. Finally, we have been invited to meet with the Hackensack City Council later in August to discuss the possibility of expanding our community education programs to their community and strengthening the relationship between the school district and the city. It is our hope that we can begin to offer opportunities there starting later this school year and into next summer.

Special thanks go out to iDigital outdoor for donating space on the electronic billboard by Charlie's restaurant to recognize our state champions from this past year, Ella Henning in Wrestling and the Boys Golf team. The image below will run through August 15th.



