



# Bishop Luers High School

## Home of the Knights

### ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

June 2010

Dear Parents, Guardians and students,

I hope you are having a great Summer rest! The Fall season is not too far away, so I would like to share information with all families concerning our general policies, fees and practice times for the month of August. Once again, we thank all of you for the donations of your time and that helps keep Luers strong. Your help working on the field, at the gate or in the concessions when your child is not playing, unless, of course, your prefer that. We do think our system of assigning parents to work games is efficient, and does not place any undue burden on any family. This is just part of what we mean by "**LUERS SPIRIT**". The following information is regarding the Fall Sports season and some general information regarding Athletic policies. Please post this where it can be referred to from time to time!

**Sports Passes:** Luers offers ALL SPORT passes good for admission to all **REGULAR SEASON HOME CONTESTS**. **ADULT PASS** \$75.00; **STUDENT PASS** \$40.00 (student is defines as grades 5th-12th); **CHILDREN** (students 1st –4th grade) \$15. PRE-SCHOOL children do not need passes or tickets. It only takes a student about 8 or 9 events to pay off their pass, and adults about 15 events. There are numerous advantages to purchasing an **ALL SEASON PASS**. First of all, in some sports in the Summit Athletic Conference, monies collected on the night of a game are split between the two competing schools, Monies collected through the sale of Season Passes are not split with others, so that is a big advantage for each school. While it can be costly to pay up front for all of these passes, the savings over the course of an entire school year is quite significant. These passes can be used for admission for home football, soccer, track, basketball, volleyball, wrestling, baseball and any other **regular season home event**. We will begin selling sports passes, and accepting sports participation fees in August in the athletic office and at school registration hours.

**Physical Exams:** All Luers student-athletes must have a physical exam form filed in the AD office dated May 1, 2010 or later to be valid for the 2010-2011 athletic year. There are no exceptions to this. IHSAA rules mandate all athletes be examined and cleared for physical activity before beginning practices in August or whenever their sport begins. Please do not wait too late to schedule an appointment with your physician. Getting a physical in late July or early August can be difficult or impossible sometimes at your family doctor!

**Fees:** The Athletic Department has fees for the various sports. See enclosed page regarding information on participation fees for athletics.

**Award System:** See enclosed page for a complete description of the Luers athletic award system.

**School Insurance:** The Diocese mandates insurance for all students. It is included with your tuition payments. Athletics offers no supplementary policies. The diocesan plan is a quality secondary plan for those of you who have coverage on your child. It is intended to be a secondary coverage, unless you have no coverage on your student. Then the Diocesan plan acts as primary coverage. **An important note to remember is the 90 day window for filing a claim with our school insurance.** When your student is injured in athletics or during school-time, please get an insurance form from the athletic office or the Business office and file that form immediately. Do not wait for invoices for the doctor, hospitals. File the form right away to alert the insurance company that a claim is forthcoming!

**Moratorium Week:** Sunday, June 28th through Saturday, July 4th, is the week mandated by the IHSAA as Moratorium Week. This means that there are NO school sponsored conditionings, workouts, camps and the like. Our facilities are closed for the week.

**Volunteer Help:** Volunteers are always needed in the Athletic department. In the summer months, that primarily means helping maintain and improve Luersfield. Some of those duties are: cutting grass, marking the field, trimming weeds, painting, etc. We have a core group of dedicated Dads, but more are always needed and desired. This group usually meets once a week in July and then perhaps more in August as we prepare for the onslaught of football games at Luersfield. **First Meeting is July 6th at 6:00pm at Luersfield.** The Booster Club also is in need of helpers with Spirit Wear, Concessions and Ticket Booth. **If you would like to get involved, please call the Athletic Office at 456-1261. "Luers Spirit" is what makes our school special and nationally recognized.**

**NEW IN 2010-11:** Athletics will assign ALL LUERS parents to work either in the concession stand or at the gates at least once this coming school year. More help is needed, and this new approach has the approval of our administration. If all do just their fair share, then the burden does not fall on the few, as it seems to have done the past few years. VOLUNTEERISM IS AT THE VERY CORE OF "LUERS SPIRIT". This indeed makes us different from so many other schools.

**Fall Sports Information: 1st Practice Sites and Practice Times**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Sport</u></b>	<b><u>Coach</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Site</u></b>
7-30	Girls Golf	Tom O'Brien	10:30am	Brookwood Golf Course
8-2	Football	Matt Lindsay	7:30am	Luers Field
8-2	Volleyball	Scott Shipmann	8:00am	Luers Gym
8-2	Boys Soccer	John Myers	5:30pm	Foster Park West
8-2	Cross Country	Mendy Webb	8:00am	Foster Park **
8-2	Girls Soccer	Kevin Lewis	10:00am	Foster Park West
8-2	Boys Tennis	Brady McArdle	5:30pm	Stewart McMillen Tennis Center

\*\* Cross Country practices at Foster Park by the baseball diamonds at the end of the Hartman Road.

Any Questions? Feel free to call the Athletic Office. While we observe limited hours day to day in July, we do check our messages and will get back with you asap! I am looking forward to another great school year and athletic year. For those of you new to our school community, WELCOME! I hope the term, "Luers Spirit" becomes as real for you as it has for so many of more than 50 years!

Sincerely,

*Matt Lindsay*

Matt Lindsay  
Athletic Director, Bishop Luers H.S.

*Joni Kuhn*

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Athletic Secretary~ Treasurer

## Athletic Participation Fees

The Bishop Luers Athletic Department has participation fees in all sports. This began a decade ago as a means of support that would allow Luers to keep all current sports, and add sports if at all possible. In the early '90's, Luers, like many schools, was facing budget demands that could have eliminated some sports, especially if those sports were high in cost, low in revenue productions. Participation fees allow us to continue all the high quality programs we offer by helping defer some of the costs in supplies, uniforms, equipment, medical, transportation, officials, facility rental and the like. **Following are guidelines and a list of cost per sport:**

**All Sport Family Fee: \$100.00** This is the maximum amount we would ask from any family for participation in athletics. Many families have multiple athletes in several sports. The \$100.00 cap on fees we hope helps these families. Athletes have never been held out of competing because of financial concerns. Fees can only be waived with the approval of Mr. Lindsay, and only in cases where the fees can cause severe hardship. A waiver will only be granted in the parent discusses the situation with Mr. Lindsay personally.

**Fees should be paid before the season begins**, but must be paid before the athlete receives any award at the conclusion of a season. Report cards, transcripts, athletic awards can/will be held for unpaid fees.

**Participation fees should be paid only to the Athletic Department.** Please do not include with tuition or any other fees at Luers. In addition, please do not pay fees to coaches. Payments should only be made to the Athletic Office so that we can offer you a proper receipt of payment.

**These fees are only the fees mandated by the Athletic Department.** Camp fees, purchasing of any extra equipment, jackets and the like are all optional purchases should you so choose. Do not confuse Participation fees with costs for attending camps or clinics. These are separate charges.

**In addition, cheerleading and Dance fees are not on this list.** Those fees are paid directly to the Business office, as it is the Business office which oversees Cheerleading and Dance.

<b>Sports</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Sports</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Sports</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Football	\$25	Tennis	\$25	Basketball	\$25
Basketball	\$25	Swimming	\$50	Soccer	\$25
Softball	\$25	Baseball	\$25	Wrestling	\$25
Cross Country	\$15	Golf	\$50	Track	\$25

## **Bishop Luers Athletic Award Policies**

The purpose of the Bishop Luers High School Athletic Department is to provide a high standard of interschool athletics for the young men and women who participate. It should be noted that our award system is fundamentally based upon participation and not necessarily outstanding performance. An award is presented after fulfillment of certain standards and requirements as noted in the following:

### **A STUDENT-ATHLETE CAN CURRENTLY RECEIVE AN AWARD IN THE FOLLOWING SPORTS/ACTIVITIES:**

**Girls:** Cheerleading\*, Soccer, Swim/Dive, Basketball, Track and Field, Golf, Tennis, Gymnastics, Softball, Cross Country, and Volleyball

**Boys:** Football, Soccer, Swim/Dive, Basketball, Track and Field, Golf, Tennis, Baseball, Wrestling, Cross Country and Lacrosse\*

\*\* activities/or clubs sports not sanctioned by the IHSAA, but eligible for department awards based upon established criteria\*

### **General Guidelines to receive an Athletic Award:**

1. Finish the sports season in good standing with the coach/administration.
2. Remain academically eligible (The IHSAA and BLHS maintain minimum academic standards for athletes. Students must have passing grades in 70% of classes at the end of each quarter or semester. Semester Grades always take precedence.) 70% equals 5 of 7 classes or 6 of 8 classes.
3. Observe the Athletic Code of Conduct (found in the Student Handbook)
4. Be Recommended for an award by your coach or the Athletic Director.

**Specific Guidelines for Awards:** There are always exceptions to rules, but the following awards system covers the general spirit of how Luers honors our student-athletes.

**1st Year participation: Class Numerals.** These represent the athlete's year of graduation. An athlete receives only ONE (1) set of numeral. Given most generally to freshmen, numerals are also presented to any first time participant in the athletic program.

**2nd Year Participation: School Letter (L).** The letter award is given to athletes competing in their second year of participation in a sport. There are several exceptions to this rule: a) Letters may be awarded to first time participation, such as freshmen or transfer students, if their participation is at the varsity level. This decision is made by the Head Coach in the sport, with the approval of the Athletic Director b) Combinations of sports in the same season may also constitute winning a letter (i.e. football-1st year, soccer the 2nd year!) Athletes who receive their letter in freshmen year, may now receive their sports PINS and certificates at the conclusion of each season.

**3rd Year Participant: Chevron and Pin.** Any athlete completing a third season in any sport, or a combination of sports in the same season, is awarded the Chevron and Pin. Athletes are then awarded pins and chevrons for each subsequent sport they finish the remainder of their careers. (Note: Chevrons are junior and senior awards only. Athletes who receive letters in their first year must still wait until junior year (or 3rd year) to receive a Chevron. Sophomores who have received a letter will receive their sport Pins. The Pins are now actually cloth inserts that can be sewn on the letter or Chevron.

**4th Year Participant:** same rules as 3rd year awards.

**Letter Jackets:** any athlete regardless of grade, who has been award the Luers Letter award in Athletics, Music, Cheerleading, Honors, or any extra-curricular activity, may purchase the School Jacket. The cost of the jacket is the sole responsibility of the student. Luers has a long time commitment with SportsCenter at Coventry, for the purchasing of the letter jackets. Price and style of jackets vary, and those arrangements are made between the student and SportsCenter.

**Blanket Award**

The Luers Athletic Blanket Award is presented to a graduating senior who has competed in a minimum 3 sports for at least three years, with one of those years being their Senior year. Any combination of sports qualifies (i.e. two in the same season) The sports that are considered for the Blanket Award were listed earlier. An exception to this rule would be the athlete who earns 10 or more “varsity” letter may also earn the Blanket award. This scenario can negate the 3 sports in senior year rule.

**Placement of Awards on Letter Jackets**

Numerals are usually placed on the right chest of the jacket, with the school Letter generally placed upon the left chest of jacket. Chevrons are placed upon the sleeves, with the Pins or Inserts attached either to the letter or chevrons. Patches awarded for team championships, or individual accomplishment are placed in any strategic location. While the Luers administration does not normally monitor the appearance of the jacket, you MUST remember that the jacket is a very highly visible symbol of BLHS, and the wearer is a representative of our school at all times. While the administration will not remove a jacket from a student, it is our right as school authority to deem a jacket not acceptable to worn at school, or any Bishop Luers function. Any item worn or sewn onto the Luers jacket MUST have awarded by the school.

**Patches: Team and Individual**

Championship patches are purchased by the Athletic Office for teams that win championships, at either SAC or state tourney level. Individual patches are also awarded when athletes are deemed as champions or State tournament qualifiers. ONE PATCH per season is the maximum, and the patch will be designed to represent all accomplishments for that team/ individuals (i.e. State Championship patch obviously represents sectional, regional titles.) Patches can be awarded to teams winning: SAC-Sectional-Regional-Semi state or State Champion. Only a team or individual who qualifies to compete at the state finals level/or a State championship game will receive the State of Indiana patch. Patches are ONLY awarded in Varsity sports, as the SAC only recognizes champions at the varsity level. Only patches awarded by the Athletic Office should appear on letter jackets. Athletes are not awarded patches for individual ALL SAC recognition. The conference awards plaques for such honors.

**Transfer Student Awards**

An athlete who transfers to Luers will be awarded on the same basis as would have been the case at their former school For instance, an athlete who received numerals at former school, will receive the Luers letter in their second season.

**Banner Policy**

The prestigious banners that hang from the rafter of Luers gym are symbolic of State Championship team and State Runners Up teams. To qualify for the banner, teams must compete in the State Championship game in their sport, or finish first or second in State Finals events involving multiple teams (such as Golf, swimming, wrestling)

**Award Certificates**

The Athletic Office provides award certificates that accompany all awards.



**Bishop Luers Sports Passes**

Dear Parents,

Each year the athletic office issues sports passes in an effort to save you money. This year we will again be offering you this deal. If you are interested in purchasing a Season sports pass : **see directions that follow:**

1. Fill out the form below and return it to the Athletic Department along with our payment and your passes will be ready for pickup at the August 9 and 10 registration, or after that time in the Athletic Office.

**Please list Names as you would like it to appear  
(Please Print)**

**Adult Passes: \$75.00**

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Passes (5th-8th Grade): \$40.00**

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**Bishop Luers Student Passes ( 9th –12th Grades):  
\$40.00**

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**Child Passes (1st –4th Grade): \$15.00**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you,

Joni Kuhn

**Bishop Luers Knights Athletic Booster Club**

**I would like to join the Athletic Booster Club and be a KNIGHT Supporter.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPES OF MEMBERSHIPS**

**CENTURY CLUB ~ LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AND SPORTS PASSES**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,500.00 Includes; 2 Adult Sport passes for life; name on Century Club list,  
\$25.00 in "Knight Money" each year.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000.00 Includes; 1 Adult Sports pass for life; name on Century Club list.

**KNIGHTS OF THE ROUNDTABLE ~ YEARLY MEMBERSHIP**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$500.00 Includes; name on Knight Lists; (2) Reserved Seating at home Football &  
Basketball games and season passes.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$250.00 Includes; 2 Adults Sports Passes; name on Knight List;  
\$25.00 in "Knight Money"

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 Name on the Knight List

**Please list below how you would like your name listed in the program.**

*Example: Mr. & Mrs. Steve Jones*

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**Please send this form and full payment to:**

**Bishop Luers High School, Athletic Booster Club  
333 E. Paulding Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46816**

**Send by August 1st to make the fall program. Thank You for your support!**

**2008  
Sports Illustrated  
Top 25  
Athletic Programs  
in the Nation**

***Volunteering can be an exciting, growing, enjoyable experience. It is truly gratifying to serve a cause, practice one's ideals, work with people, solve problems, see benefits, and know one had a hand in them.***

***~ Harriet Naylor***

### **Volunteers Needed**

Parents:

Please look over the volunteer sheet on the website or during August Registration. You can return the volunteer form to the Athletic office. While the traditional ABC August meeting for parents will not occur anymore, each sport will be asked to hold their own meetings in August with the intention of keeping parents informed, and to get volunteers for their games.

Thank you in advance for you support and dedication to Bishop Luers Athletics.

#### **For Questions ....**

RE: **Concessions:** Lee Wampole (h) 744-5511

RE: **Fish Fry:** Weezie Rowan (h) 456-6546

RE: **Men's Smoker:** Mike Deiser (h) 436-5573

RE: **Turkey Trot:** Lori Rector (h)432-3920

RE: **Advertising/Signs:** Bill Martin

#### **2010-2011 Athletic Booster Club Board**

President:Mike Deiser

Vice President: Monica Zwick

At Large: Bill Martin

Vice President: Eric Dorman

Treasurer: Mark Andorfer

Secretary: Celeste Streicher

Concessions: Lee Wampole

Athletic Department Advisor: Joni Kuhn

Athletic Director: Matt Lindsay

All families are members of the Athletic Booster Club if your son/daughter participates in athletics at Bishop Luers High School. If you would like to know about when our Board Meetings are, please email Monica Zwick @ [mzwick@bishopluers.org](mailto:mzwick@bishopluers.org).

**Bishop Luers Knights Athletic Program**

**ADVERTISE**

**IN THE SPORTS PROGRAM**

***Would you like your company logo to be seen by over 10,000 eyes?***

Now is your chance... place an advertisement in the BLHS Sports Program.  
This program is distributed at all home events for the entire school year.

Advertisement Sizes and Price Examples are listed on the reverse side.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE AN AD PLEASE FILL OUT THE CONTRACT AND SEND  
IT TO THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

**C/O JONI KUHN (no later that August 1, 2010)**

\*\*\* COPY READY ADVERTISEMENT CAN BE SENT VIA EMAIL \*\*\*

JKUHN@BISHOPLUERS.ORG  
MZWICK@BISHOPLUERS.ORG

**SENIOR PARENTS**

WE ARE ONCE AGAIN OFFERING A PAGE DEDICATED TO SENIORS.  
FOR THE ***COST OF \$30.00***, PARENTS CAN DEDICATE ANY MESSAGE  
YOU CHOOSE TO YOUR CHILD.

***FORM IS INCLUDED ON THE ADVERTISEMENT SIZE SHEET.***

### Bishop Luers Knights Athletic Program

If you currently own your own business or work with a company that would like to advertise their business in our Athletic Program, we have space available for you. Please contact the Athletic Office 456-1261, Joni Kuhn, for any questions or details.

#### Advertising Contract

I agree to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ page of advertising in the 2010-2011 sports program book at a cost of \$\_\_\_\_\_. I will provide all copy and camera ready art before August 1, 2010. I agree to pay for the advertisement in full by July 31, 2010. As an officer or authorized representative of this company, I accept this contract and understand that it can not be cancelled.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to Bishop Luers Athletic Booster Club.**

#### **Full Page \$500.00**

**1/2 Page = \$300.00**

**1/4 Page = \$200.00**

**1/8 Page = \$150.00**

**Senior Ad = \$30.00**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Message: (2 Lines only, Please Print)**