

McLean High School
Athletic Boosters
Updates

Questions? Comments?
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Important Dates

- 8/16—First General Booster Meeting of the year. 7 pm MHS
- 8/20—Welcome Back Coaches BarBQ at Knights of Columbus 7 pm
- 8/23—Fall Sports Parent Meeting MHS Cafeteria 7 pm
- 9/2—First Varsity FB Home Game
- 9/15—General Booster Meeting at MHS 7pm

Executive Board

Jennifer Bargerstock	President
Cheryl Buford	Vice President
Claire Dutrow	Secretary
Joe Fitzgerald Liz Hansen	Treasurer Assistant
Rita Cox Bonnie Kotapish	Member- ship
Patti Spulak MC Overby	Apparel
Suzanne Romness Vacant	Snack Bar Co-Snack
Nancy Reller	Publicity
Cyndee Cannon	Golf
Linda Ristig	Bazaar

Go Highlanders!

Welcome to the 2010-2011 School Year!

What a terrific year 2009-2010 was for MHS Sports!

Excitement is building for another successful year with MHS Sports well represented locally, regionally and even at the State levels. Congratulations to our hard working coaches, athletes and volunteers. It's time to do it again.

New Year—New Fee

Last year, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors decided *not to fully fund* the School Board request for funding. Hard decisions were made by the Fairfax County School Board to operate the school system with less funding.

Athletics were low on the School Board's list of priorities.

As a result, in addition to cuts, each athlete will be charged a fee by the county to play sports. Detailed information can be found on www.mcleanactivities.org. The fee will be used to offset the budget line item in the county budget instead of cutting freshman sports, indoor track and other programs this year. It will not

come back to the school. **All other funds will have to be raised by local Booster Clubs to support athletes.** Now more than ever your support is paramount to MHS athletic programs.

Volunteers Wanted

It takes an entire community to fund the athletic program at McLean HS. When your student athlete participates in a sport, the parents are required to fulfill a minimum volunteer requirement. Each team will communicate the opportunities available. In addition, your student athlete's team will call on you throughout the year to help with Booster Activities. Many hands make light work—enjoy the time with us together supporting the kids.

UPDATES: Please remember to sign up for **email alerts** at www.mcleanactivities.org for Boosters and your team!

Check under "Volunteer" tab for electronic volunteer sign up sheets.

HELP WANTED:

Co-Chairperson for Snack Bar

The job involves ordering, buying and stocking the food and drinks as well as cleaning the three snack bars. The job starts the 3rd week of August and goes through the end of the Spring Sports season. Does not require attendance during games.

Turf Field Committee

Recruiting for all positions for new Turf Field Committee. Currently, MHS is at a disadvantage by not having enough space for games and practices. Steps have been taken to turf 1-2 fields to improve availability of space for practice and games. Goal: Complete Turf by summer 2011.

Why Should I support MHS Athletic Boosters?

Many people think that the Athletic Budget of McLean HS is funded by our Tax Dollars through FCPS. However, the truth is that county funding pays **only** for small coaches' stipends, game officials and transportation for athletic events. The remainder of the athletic budget is supplemented by Booster fundraising dollars. In 2009-2010 Boosters gross revenue was over \$125,000 with expenses over \$95,000.

What did this money buy?

Last year, Booster funds paid for things such as uniforms, field maintenance, the Varsity Sports Banquet, coaches' and trainers' clinics, and safety equipment. Boosters also support efforts such as coaches and player awards, Varsity letters, trophies, and scholarship awards. In addition, your Booster Club funded many Capital Improvements such as the installation of Bermuda grass, new weight room equipment, landscaping and tree removal.

What does this mean for the Student Community?

McLean High School has dozens of athletic teams; all of which contribute to the spirit and energy of our high school community. Most likely your student's high school years have been or will be enriched by the Local High School athletic program through participation either as an athlete or a fan.

How can I support the Boosters?

1. Join Today!
2. Volunteer to help!

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