

The OMMS After-school Sports Policy

This program has two common goals – the students join a team to learn the fundamentals of the sport and play as a team. These are the most important aspect of the season. Playing together and playing to the best of your ability is what OMMS promotes within the school's athletic program.

All students pay the same money to play; therefore all students are given an opportunity to play. This does not mean all students are given equal playing time. Game time is not a right; it is a privilege to be earned.

Game time is earned by the following:

- Working hard, NOT goofing off and chatting in practice and in game.
- When a player is in the game, they are to be focused on the game.
- How is your attitude towards the game, yourself, and other players? A player must always be positive towards fellow teammates. A player must always remain positive about the team in general. Good game, good try, etc. are acceptable comments to teammates.
- When a team player is not playing in the game, they are to be sitting on the sidelines with teammates, focused on the game and cheering on the team. Do not tell your coach you want to play, SHOW your coach you want to play. Attitude and effort are 90% of the game.
- Before, during, and after the game no matter what the outcome of the game, every teammate, parent, and coach is to behave in a manner that is positive towards the image of our school.

Coaches, parents, and students need to remember that players need to be commended on the strides they have made. OMMS promotes playing competitively, playing smart, and playing with integrity. Be proud of each and every student who is working hard! I do not know of any league, in any sport, that you are guaranteed a winning team. The focus on hand is leaning, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Please remember that these are a grammar school athletic squad – no college scholarships are in jeopardy. Lets all encourage the students to play their best and HAVE FUN! Discourage anything that is damaging to the TEAM, and highly praise the efforts made and improvements.

I do hope to be able to watch the teams play in a game and cheer them on! I appreciate your continued support! Best of luck to the teams on the upcoming season!

Sincerely,
Michele Hoyo
OMMS Athletic Director