

October 22, 2020

Dear DePaul Prep Families,

We are wrapping up the fall season - it was different than any other season but it was a great season in so many ways. We started a golf team and had 27 students compete in the season - these students are trailblazers and comperted themselves very well. Our cross country teams have 37 students competing this year and are preparing for the IHSA playoffs as i write this letter. And our cheer team is once again over 20 strong, constantly working on their routines and overall fitness.

As I explained in a letter this past summer, the IHSA allowed all the other sports to engage in contact days similar to what is allowed in the summer. Baseball, softball, boys/girls volleyball, boys/girls basketball, boys/girls soccer, boys/girls lacrosse, wrestling, and football all took advantage of this opportunity and that means that over 400 students participated in contact days - awesome!

Please continue to refer to the athletics website for further information on anticipated start and end dates for specific sports. The IHSA/IDPH/Governor's Office continues to look at sports and make determinations on what can and cannot be done. At this time, **all winter sports listed on the website will be able to start practicing on November 16th** - there are still restrictions on contests for basketball and wrestling - bowling, however, will be allowed to compete against other schools.

Thank you for your patience and for the hard work your sons and daughters have put forth, not only throughout the year but in the summer camps and in the fall contact days we have been able to hold. We know the important role high school athletics plays in the lives of the students at DePaul Prep, and to that end, we will work to do everything within our capabilities to provide our students the best possible athletic experience while they are with us.

Be Positive! Pass It On! Patrick M. Mahoney Director of Athletics

