

### Loomis Union School District

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Erika Sloane, Superintendent

#### Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Loomis Union School District, along with its community, recognizes the value of its outstanding athletic program. The District is unique in that it has been able to provide its own athletic league for its students. Loomis Union School District children are afforded multiple opportunities to participate in one or more sports, wear their school's uniform and represent their school. We recognize that organized athletics support our student's physical, social and academic development. Unfortunately, due to the state of California's fiscal crises, and the ongoing and ever-increasing reduction of funding for public education, the Loomis Union School District has been forced to make many reductions to programs and staff.

The Loomis Union School District allocates approximately \$100,000 per year to support the LBAL program. In order to maintain the athletic program at its current level, the District is implementing the Voluntary Athletic Contribution plan. The purpose of this plan is to support our athletic programs and help offset the District's cost. We encourage your help and support to ensure the success of the plan.

In order to help support the District's athletic league, we are asking for a Voluntary Athletic Contribution of \$60.00 per sport, per child. When compared to the cost of participating in other athletic leagues, \$60.00 per sport, per child, is an excellent value. All participants MUST return a completed VAC form for each sport they play in order to participate.

We are thankful for your ongoing support of Loomis Union School District athletics, especially in these challenging economic times. The District's goal is to continue to offer a quality and comprehensive athletic program for its students. Your voluntary contribution will provide our students with the opportunity to enhance their personal growth and to have a positive school experience through participation in athletics.

Sincerely,

Krysta Herman League Commissioner Erika Sloane Superintendent

Kevin Roche
Assistant Superintendent



## **Loomis Basin Athletic League** Voluntary Athletic Contribution Form

The Loomis Union School District allocates about \$100,000 of General Fund money to support this valuable program. To help ensure the Loomis Basin Athletic League (LBAL) continues each year, a voluntary contribution of **\$60.00 per child, per sport, is requested**. All voluntary contributions will be used to offset costs associated with each sport.

#### **Dear Parents and Students,**

Congratulations, your child has just become a member of the Loomis Basin Athletic League. Included in this packet is information about your child's participation in our district athletic league. To ensure your child is able to participate, please review this packet in its entirety. The last few pages have important information that must be signed and returned to school.

# These items must be returned to your child's coach before they can begin participating in games or practices.

- 1. A completed Voluntary Athletic Contribution (VAC) form
- 2. A completed and signed transportation form
- 3. A completed and signed eligibility criteria form
- 4. A completed and signed emergency card
- 5. A completed Cardiac Heart Arrest form

#### **SPORTS PARTICIPATION FEE**

A donation/fee of \$60.00 per sport is requested to participate in and support our school sports programs. Checks can be made out to L.U.S.D. The Loomis Union School District sports program cannot operate without the financial support of our parents. Thank you for supporting our District sports program because without your financial contribution, the sports program could not exist.

Thank you so much and have a wonderful and successful season!

#### **Loomis Basin Athletic League Bylaws**

The name of this organization is the Loomis Basin Athletic League (L.B.A.L.). The L.B.A.L. bylaws will be used first when making league decisions. California Interscholastic Federation (C.I.F.) rules will only be used when the L.B.A.L. bylaws do not address a rule or issue.

#### League Membership

Presently the L.B.A.L encompasses the Loomis Union School District and one member school. At this time there are 8 participating member schools; Loomis, Franklin, Placer, Penryn, Ophir, Loomis Basin Charter, H. Clarke Powers, and Newcastle.

#### **Philosophy**

We believe that athletic competition is a necessary process for the development of the student/athlete. We believe that the purpose of athletics is to assist the student/athlete in developing playing skills, respecting coaches and teammates, improving fitness, practicing good sportsmanship, and remembering that participation is a privilege and carries responsibilities. No heckling or trash talking will be tolerated at our sports events. People who engage in this will be removed immediately from all L.B.A.L events.

#### **Uniforms**

Shortly your child will be receiving their team uniform. Each student is responsible for his or her own uniform. If it is lost, stolen or returned damaged they will be responsible for the cost to replace it. When laundering uniforms, please turn them inside out, wash in cold water on the delicate cycle, and hang dry. **Please do not use bleach.** If they have to be dried in the dryer occasionally please make sure it is on the lowest heat.

#### Transportation Procedures

The following procedures have been designed for the general safety and well-being of all student athletes, coaches and supervisors.

- When a bus is provided, all student athletes will ride the bus to the opposing school.
- Parents providing transportation for their child home from a game must sign the child out with their coach.
- Parents requesting that their child ride home with another family must make prior arrangements with the coach before the day of the game.

Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

## The Quality L.U.S.D. Athlete

#### Is loyal to his/her coach, team, and school

(The athlete is dedicated, hardworking, and respectful to everyone.)

#### Is a positive ambassador for the school and community

(The athlete knows whom he/she represents, has positive self esteem, and leads by example.)

#### Is a team player

(The athlete is team oriented, unselfish, humble, and always puts forth his/her best effort.)

#### **Exhibits sportsmanship during competition**

(The athlete respects his/her opponent, yet attempts to win according to the rules and spirit of the game.)

#### Is coachable

(The athlete sets personal goals and attempts to achieve them. The athlete can accept criticism or deal with correction in a positive manner.)

#### Is a self-evaluator

(The athlete knows his/her strengths and weaknesses and works harder on the latter so that progress can be made.)