



Barlow Athletic Information – Fall 2017

Sam Barlow High School recognizes the value of participation in athletics as an extension of the academic classroom and supports all students to become involved in sports. The information in this letter will hopefully help students to transition and become involved in a fall sport, especially since workouts begin prior to the start of classes.

Clearance

To be eligible to participate in any practice or tryout all students must be cleared through the Athletic Office **before Monday, August 14**. Clearance requires the following items to be completed:

- Current **Athletic Emergency Information** and **Athletic Risk Warning & Travel Release Information** forms signed by both the parent and the athlete and on file. New forms are required **each season** in order to keep contact, emergency and insurance information updated. Signing these forms also acknowledges that parents and students have received, read and understand the Barlow Athletic Policy and the Barlow Athletic/Activity Drug and Alcohol Policy. Please return these forms directly to the Athletic Office. These forms are available online at <http://athletics.sbhs.gresham.k12.or.us>.

- A current **physical**.

All incoming Freshmen, Juniors and transfer students are required to have a current physical. Physicals are valid for two years and Freshmen physicals need to be dated after January 1 of the current calendar year. Physicals are **required** to be on the official State OSAA form. The form also has a questionnaire component for parents to fill in and sign. This form is available online at www.osaa.org/governance/forms or stop by the Athletic Office to pick one up.

- The paid **participation fee** of \$175.

Fees for students that qualify for the free lunch program must pay (\$43.75). Students that qualify for reduced lunch must pay half (\$87.50). If payment is a hardship, please contact the Athletic Director to make other arrangements. If the student is trying out for a sport in which cuts might be made (volleyball or soccer), a refund will be issued if they do not make a team. Football, Water Polo and Cross Country are no-cut sports. Participation fees may be redirected if a student is released and wants to transfer to one of those programs. Payment may be made to the bookkeeper or paid online but **the clearance forms must go to the Athletic Office**.

Clearance must be done beginning the week of August 7, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 3:00pm in the Athletic Office. Clearance is *not* required to attend camps that are being held the week of August 7th but clearance forms and information will be available in the Athletic Office. Please *do not* give participation fees (check or cash) to a coach. Payment should be made directly to the Bookkeeper. Students that owe for previous participation fees will not be cleared until payment is made in full.

Academic Eligibility

In order to be academically eligible for athletic participation, a student must have

1. passed at least five classes the previous semester (including summer school),
2. be enrolled in at least five classes the current semester,
3. be passing at least five classes at 6wk & 12wk Progress Report periods,
4. and have accumulated the appropriate amount of credit at the beginning of each year to meet the OSAA standards for being on-time to graduate.

Please see additional eligibility information on following page -

Since incoming Freshmen do not have a previous semester of high school, they are automatically academically eligible for the first semester of their freshman year (but still must be enrolled in the minimum five classes). If you are a new transfer to Barlow, you must meet these same requirements in addition to completion of the *OSAA Eligible Transfer Certificate*. This form is part of the registration process for transfer students. All transfer students who wish to participate must have a personal interview with the Athletic Director prior to participation. Call 503-258-4895 to make an appointment. This is the only way to insure eligibility. Discovering ineligible athletes after contests have been held will seriously effect and jeopardize the entire team. The OSAA has implemented an additional credit completion requirement to insure that student athletes are on track to graduate. Basically, students passing at least 6 classes per semester will meet this minimum requirement. See the table below:

| Credits to Graduate: | 25 |
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| (70%) - Prior to Grade 10 | 4.5 |
| (80%) - Prior to Grade 11 | 10.5 |
| (90%) - Prior to Grade 12 | 17.5 |

NEW If you transferred to Barlow through the Oregon Open Enrollment Law and do not live in the Barlow attendance area, you are automatically *ineligible* for one calendar year. Also, if you are, or become enrolled in the GBSD Web Academy, MEECA, CAL, Springwater Trail, ACE, Home School or any other alternative school you must meet with the Athletic Office to verify academic eligibility.

Camp & Practice Times

Practice schedules for August 21-25 will be announced at practice by August 18.

| SPORT | LEVEL | TYPE | DATE | TIME |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Cross Country | 9 th -12 th | Practice | July 31-August 31 (Weekdays) | 10:00AM-11:00AM |
| Football | 9 th -12 th | CAMP (\$70 per family) | August 7-11 | 5:30PM-8:00PM |
| | All Levels | Practice | August 14, 16 | 7:00-10:00AM & 1:00-3:00PM |
| | | Practice | August 15, 17 & 18 | 7:00AM-10:00AM |
| Girls Soccer | 8 th -12 th | CAMP (\$75) | August 7-10 | 2:00PM-5:00PM |
| | All Levels | Practice/Tryouts | August 14-18 | 3:00PM-5:00PM |
| Boys Soccer | 8 th -12 th | CAMP (\$75) | August 7-10 | 9:00AM-12:00PM |
| | All Levels | Practice/Tryouts | August 14-18 | 10:00AM-1:00PM |
| Volleyball | 9 th -12 th | Elite CAMP (\$90) | August 7-10 | 8:00AM-12:00PM |
| | All Levels | Practice/Tryouts | August 14, 15, 16 | 9:00AM-12:00PM |
| | Varsity | Practice | August 17 | 9:00AM-12:00PM |
| | JV | Practice | August 17 & 18 | 7:30AM-9:30AM |
| | JV2 | Practice | August 17 & 18 | 10:00AM-12:00PM |
| Water Polo | 9 th -12 th | Morning Practice | August 14-18 | 7:00AM-9:00AM |
| | 9 th -12 th | Afternoon Practice | August 15 & 17 | 3:30PM-5:30PM |

Camp brochures are available online at <http://athletics.sbhs.gresham.k12.or.us>. The information can be found by clicking on the Athletics and Activities tab, and then searching in the Summer Camps folder. Pre-registration for most camps is not required and can be done on the first day of the camp.

CONTACT

Please do not hesitate to email Karyn Dougharity (Secretary for Athletics & Activities) at dougharity@gresham.k12.or.us if you have any questions.

Thank you and **GO BRUINS!**