Bethlehem Lutheran School Athletics Volunteer Policy

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Bethlehem Lutheran School's Athletic Program exists to allow students to glorify God with their talents and abilities. Through athletics the students learn many life skills such as hard work, determination, teamwork and many others. Our program exists as a supplement to their academic accomplishments in helping them to grow spiritually, mentally, emotionally, physically and socially.

Our athletic program is run almost entirely by volunteers. The program is mostly self-funded, receiving very little additional funds from the school. As a result, the program is highly dependent on the support of parents and others volunteering time to run events and to participate in fundraising opportunities.

None of our athletic events would be possible without the efforts of volunteers. Historically, a small select few tend to take on the bulk of the load. We have decided that it is necessary to involve all parents whose children benefit from the athletic program at Bethlehem.

Policy Details

Each parent will be required to fill 2 volunteer slots per sport (1 for soccer) that each child is enrolled in. We do ask that each family fulfill their slots. However, in some cases it is not possible for a family to comply do to work schedules or similar circumstances. In lieu of volunteer time, the parent may elect to pay a participation fee of \$40 per athlete per sport.

The volunteer schedule for most of the school year will be available on SignupGenius.com. You may sign up for volunteer opportunities during your child's sport or for another sport throughout the year. Serving as a head coach or an assistant coach will be counted as meeting the volunteer requirement for their child(ren)'s sport.

In the event we are unable to obtain enough volunteers to fill the slots, we reserve the right to pay someone to cover the empty slots. The volunteer coordinator (**Trisha Hook - (989) 980-6797)** may allow families to sign up for additional opportunities if slots aren't being filled and earn a few extra dollars.

Please be responsible for the dates you sign up for. Signup Genius will send an e-mail reminder, but it is your responsibility. If you are unable to fulfill a commitment you made previously, please contact Trisha Hook more than 24 hours in advance so she can get it filled. If you cancel or do not show up you will be required to fill another slot or you will be billed \$20 per slot that is not filled.

Parents must sign up for the required slots or pay the fee prior to the child participating in their first game of the season. Please take care of this right away so that your child is able to participate in full.

Thank you for your support of Bethlehem Athletics!