

Dear Oakfield Baptist Sports Parent,

We are so excited to have your family as part of our upcoming sports season! At Oakfield it is our goal to teach competitive skills with biblical values. We want every player to have the skills to excel on the court, on the field, at home, and in school. At every practice, in addition to the skills and drills, players will learn a Bible verse.

Practice days and times are determined by our coaches and will be set before the season starts. You should receive a call from your coach with that information by **April 8**.

Game days are exciting for all of us and there are a few special things we do in our league...

All players will be announced onto the field before each game, with music 10 minutes before game time.

All players are cheered for and supported.

All players will receive equal playing time throughout the season.

Good sportsmanship is expected and enjoyed by everyone.

We do have a couple rules that we expect everyone to follow.

1. Have Fun!
2. Be safe.
3. Profanity, unsportsmanlike conduct, and physical attacks by **anyone** will not be tolerated and you may be asked to leave.
4. During the game the referee is always right.
5. Children must always be supervised. If you have young children and would like to supervise them, and clean up after them in our Nursery, see Pastor Chris or one of the concession workers for a key.
6. No alcohol, tobacco/vapes, marijuana, or illegal drugs are allowed on property.

Games are on Saturdays starting **April 27**. You will receive a full season schedule at the first practice (week of April 15). Our concession stand has great food and all proceeds go to our sports programs.

AWARDS CEREMONY is June 1 after the last game.

We graduate our skill expectations for each age division. Your coach will share what differences you can expect with your age division.

Equipment

Every player will receive a t-shirt with their name and number on the back before the first game. (fan shirts are available to order from our website www.obc.church) You will need to have shorts or athletic pants (no jeans or snow pants), SOCCER cleats, shin guards and socks. You will not be allowed to practice or play in a game without soccer cleats and shin guards. Please bring a water bottle for all practices and games. When it is cold dress in layers and put your jersey as the outermost layer. We will provide all the balls for the season. Please mark any items that may be removed with your child's name including the water bottle and soccer ball.

If you or your child is sick, please have them get better at home.

Cancellations: Practices – Your coach will call and give you a make-up date.

Games – Facebook: Oakfield Baptist Sports, WOODTV8, WZZM13. Your coach will also call you with make-up information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for: Set-up before each game, Concession stand, scoreboards, and field setup, goal movers, and cleaning crew. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Pastor Sam Vincent 616-754-9385 church / obcpastorsam@gmail.com

BLUE POLO'S – Anyone wearing a blue polo is a veteran coach in our league and can help you with whatever you may need this season.

WEIGHT ROOM – The weight room is available to use during the season. Parental supervision is **REQUIRED** for anyone under 18. See a pastor for a key. The basketball court may only be used with clean shoes and with parental supervision. No cleats are allowed beyond the hallway, and please use the cleat cleaners before you enter the building.

Although we have a few bleachers, we encourage everyone to bring lawn chairs or blankets.

If you are looking for a great church, we would love to have you come check us out. Sunday School @9:30 (all ages)

Sunday services @ 10:45 & 5:00 (childcare provided for every service) Youth Group Tuesdays 6:30-8:00

Sincerely,

Chris Minor Sr. Pastor – Oakfield Baptist Church