



DUNECREST  
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SCHOOL

# EAGLES ATHLETICS

2022-2023



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Dunecrest Athletic sports teams run separately to the Dunecrest Extra-Curricular Activities program with different term dates & different registration periods. Our Athletics teams operate on a seasonal model with **3 distinct seasons**. School Teams are coached by Dunecrest Teachers.

Dunecrest Athletic teams require students to demonstrate commitment, effort and sportsmanship. All student athletes participating are expected to commit to all practice days, games & tournaments. Through hardwork and determination our student athletes will reach new athletic heights and find personal success.

It is important to take note of the season dates and practice days for each age level. Students who register for activities that conflict with team practice days will need to choose which activity or sport to participate in. Students who choose to leave an activity during the activity term **will not** be provided with a refund (for paid activities).

Registration for Dunecrest Athletics teams is held each season prior to the sport commencing. **Sports team registration is not a part of the ECA program registration, however both will be done via SchoolsBuddy.** Parents & Students will receive advance notice to register for each sports team.

For more information about Dunecrest Athletics, please speak with Athletics Director, Mr. Jonathan Miller.

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Sincerely,

Jonathan Miller  
Athletic Director



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## Our Mission

We at Dunecrest American School believe that a robust program of student athletics supports and contributes to the overall educational program. At Dunecrest we provide competitive athletic opportunities to as many students as possible, believing participation in athletics will enhance the development of the overall student.

Dunecrest athletics strives for broad participation and competitive excellence, while encouraging the highest levels of sportsmanship and fair play. We believe the welfare of each student is our primary concern – academically, physically and emotionally.

**LEADERSHIP.COMMITMENT.**  
**CHARACTER**

### THE DUNECREST STUDENT-ATHLETE

Being a member of the Dunecrest Athletics program is a privilege to be earned and maintained. When student-athletes participate in practice or compete in competitions, at home or away, they carry with them a responsibility to represent themselves, their family, and the Dunecrest community with integrity and sportsmanship. Dunecrest student-athletes are examples and role models for **C.R.E.S.T.** characteristics at all times.

# ATHLETICS CALENDAR

Mini Eagles - Grades 3-5 Sports				
Season	Dates	Sport	Practices Per Week	Practice Days
1	Mid Sept. - Beg. Nov.	Swimming (Grade 2+)	2/3	TBD
1	Mid Sept. - Beg. Nov.	Soccer (Grade 3+)	2/3	TBD
2	Mid. Nov. - End Jan.	Track & Field (Grade 3+)	2/3	TBD
3	March - May	Basketball (Grade 3+)	2/3	TBD

## Elementary / Mini-Eagles Athletics Overview

The Elementary program is an **all inclusive program** focused on the **development of fundamental skills** and introducing concepts of healthy and safe competition. Students in Grades 3 - 5 can participate in the sports of Soccer/Football, Basketball, and Track & Field. Ability levels are identified in order to create mixed ability level teams in preparation for friendly games and jamborees.

Dunecrest Elementary Mini-Eagles Sports teams participate as members of the Junior Emirates Athletic Conference (JEAC). The focus of JEAC is to reinforce the value of **sportsmanship, respect, teamwork and self-discipline** through healthy and fair competition.

Dunecrest Elementary Swimming program is available to students in Grades 2 to 5.

# ATHLETICS CALENDAR

Middle School (MS) & High School (HS)- Grades 6-12 Sports				
Season	Dates	Sport	Practices Per Week	Practice Days
1	Mid Sept. - Beg. Nov.	Swimming	2/3	TBD
1	Mid Sept. - Early Nov	Volleyball	2/3	TBD
2	Mid. Nov. - End Jan.	Soccer	2/3	TBD
2	Mid. Nov. - End Jan.	Basketball	2/3	TBD
3	Beg. Feb - Mid March	Track & Field	2/3	TBD
3	Beg. Feb - Mid April	Badminton	2/3	TBD

## Middle & High School Athletics Overview

There are several opportunities for MS students to participate as a member of a Dunecrest athletics team. The Middle School & High School program is offered to students in Grades 6-12 as a **tryout/select, competitive program** participating in the Dubai International Schools Sports Conference (DISSC), EAC and for our Varsity program OASIS.. Teams have regular weekly training sessions and compete against other Dubai/Abu Dhabi American International Schools in mid-season and end of season tournaments.

# RULES AND REGULATIONS

## **Buses**

Student-Athletes selected to the team must make their own arrangements to be picked up after practice/games. The school will not provide transportation.

## **Deadlines**

In order to ensure your child's participation in his/her chosen activity you must adhere to the registration and/or payment deadlines.

## **Equipment / Sports Gear**

Students are expected to come prepared and attend their activity with the relevant attire and equipment.

Student-Athletes selected to the team will receive an athletic uniform during the season. Students are expected to return their uniform following the last game of the season. Failure to do so will result in a replacement fee. Cost is approx.125aed

## **Practice Attendance**

Students are expected to attend their activity on time. In case of absence, parents /students are expected to inform either the coach or the Athletics department, as well as the transportation office.

## **Behavior**

Students are expected to abide by the C.R.E.S.T. standards and to sign a Student Code of Conduct.

## **Cancellation**

Please note that an activity could be cancelled if there are not enough applicants for that activity.



# RULES AND REGULATIONS

## ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible scholastically, students must not be on the Academic or Behavior Probation List.

The MS/ HS office reports academic behavior eligibility to the athletic office two weeks after the end of each grading period. Every student-athlete or support group member is subject to this rule. Those affected may attend practices during the period of ineligibility at the Athletic Director's and principals' discretion. Students are responsible for any missed work while away from school at a competition.

## CLASS ATTENDANCE POLICY ON PRACTICE, GAME DAYS

Periods	Practice	Games	Tournaments	Travel Teams
1, 2, & 3	Must be Present 1/2 day	Must be present full day	Must be present the day before competitions	Must be present all periods prior to departure
4, 5 & 6	Must be Present 1/2 day			





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