

Blanchester Local Schools
Winter Sports Parent Meeting
2023



WINTER SPORTS COACHES

Alumni Grad Year in BLUE

- **Athletic Director:** Brad Ballinger 2001
- **Boys Basketball:**
 - Mike Malott 1996, Keith Abbott, Quillan Short, Hunter Bare 2020, Brayden Sipple 2021
 - Jacob Keller, Josh Farson
- **Bowling:** Paul Jackson
- **Wrestling:**
 - Scott Nicely 1988, Jordan Dawson 2013, Andy Musselman, Jed Turpin 2015
 - Jamie Tissandier 1992
- **Girls Basketball:**
 - Pete Jackson 2000, Bella Woodyard 2015
 - Aleck Strange 2006, Branden Elam, Denise Howard 2006, Mandi Moe
- **Basketball Cheer:**
 - Melissa Wallace 1984
 - Cora Shattuck 2019, Shawna Haynes 2020, Destiny Waldron 2021

My vision for Athletics at Blanchester

We field full teams in sports where athletes compete as individuals (golf, cross country, bowling, tennis, wrestling and track & field), which gives us the opportunity to compete for league titles.

We field varsity and JV teams in team sports (football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, softball). The varsity squads are consistently competing at the top of the league and occasional win a league title. Be competitive in the OHSAA tournament games.

More students playing sports. Want to increase to 50% of student body (it was 44% last year).

All of our athletes playing two or three sports.

Our kids take pride in being a Blanchester Wildcat.

Things that I want others to say and think about Blanchester:

- "Blanchester Athletics is a first class organization" (sportsmanship, respect, facilities)
- "Blanchester kids are hard to compete against" (tough, gritty, never quit attitude)
- "I'm proud of our kids for the way the competed." (from parents/community members)

THIS PRESENTATIONS IS IN FINAL FORMS

OHIO HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
2023-24 PRESEASON
MEETING



RULES & REGULATIONS - ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility requirements - <https://www.ohsaa.org/>

Scholarship (Grades):

- Checked quarterly and weekly (after the 3rd week of the quarter). Students must have minimum 1.0 GPA AND be passing enough credits (5 for HS/4 for MS)

Attendance: must be at school by to participate unless approved by an administrator (Send an email)

- Must be at school by 8:30 am and can not leave early (district rule)

ALL transfer students should check with administration about eligibility (Send an email)

- There may be paperwork that you are required to fill out to gain full eligibility

*If you have questions about eligibility, send me an email - ballingerb@blan.org

HEALTH & SAFETY

Physicals - Must have one on file to participate (good for 13 months)

Parents/Students must also sign a number of other forms (located in Final Forms)

Concussions

- **Must get clearance from physician or other health care provider**

Athletic Trainer

- **Retired AT Perry Denehy will be covering us during the winter**

Substance Use - Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco

- **There will be an athletic consequence associated with use/possession (in athletic handbook, which is also in Final Forms)**

SPORTING BEHAVIOR

Be Positive, Be Respectful, Act with Integrity

- You represent us when you are at events

Know Your Role - Athlete, Fan, Coach or Official

- Which one are you at each contest?

Shortage of officials, don't run off the ones who are willing to work

You will be asked to leave if you are taunting, threatening, using inappropriate language, throwing objects, or interfering with the conduct of the game.

- If you are asked to leave, you will not be permitted to attend any extracurricular contest (even of a different sport) for the next 20% of the season.

WHERE CAN I FIND ATHLETIC INFO?

Email the Athletic Director - ballingerb@blan.org

Athletic Website - <https://www.blanchesterathletics.com/>

- Links to schedules, paperwork, info, news

SBAAC Website - <http://sbaac.com/>

OHSAA Website - <https://www.ohsaa.org/>

Twitter/X - [@BlanAthletics](https://twitter.com/BlanAthletics)

★ Social Media is not the place to air your grievances or complain about your child's coach/teammates



TICKETS TO EVENTS

- Can purchase with cash at the gate OR online via Hometown Ticketing
- In-season athletes will receive free admission to home contests. They will need to sign in at the gate.
- Non-school age children do not require a ticket

	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Students/Senior Citizens</u>
HS Basketball	\$7	\$5
MS Basketball	\$5	\$4
Wrestling	\$7	\$5
Bowling	Generally no fee at the alley	

SPORTS PASSES

Passes only available for purchase through Hometown Ticketing

- Good for home contests all year long (HS and MS)
- Only the individual whose name appears on the pass will be admitted
- \$100 for adults (plus processing fee)
- \$75 for students (plus processing fee)

Adults aged 65 and over will be given a FREE all year all sports pass if they visit the HS office and show ID anytime during the school day. Senior Citizen passes from last year are still good for this year. They will not need to get another pass.

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEES

Fees support transportation costs and coaching salaries

Cost: \$250/sport, \$600 family cap

Payable with cash or check

- **Make checks out to Blanchester Local School District**

Due before 1st regular season contest

- **If you need assistance, please visit the athletic website (on the “Information” tab) and fill out the financial assistance form**



SCAN ME

COMMUNICATION

If your athlete is having issues related to the team, they need to talk to the coach

- Teaches athletes to be responsible for themselves and to deal with their own issues
- If issues persist, then parents may contact coach to set up a meeting

24 Hour Rule - please abide by this

- Please do NOT approach Coach right after a contest

Issues that parents shall not discuss with coaches.

1. Playing time
2. Team strategy
3. Play calling
4. Other athletes / parents

Chain of Command: Coach > AD > Principal > Superintendent

Final Forms (Email Communication) and SportsYou (App) for updates from coaches

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

Booster Officers

President - Sean Paulson

Vice President - Andrea Blankenbeckler

Secretary - Amanda Paynter

Treasurer - Cindy King

Co-Treasurer - Regina Waldron

Booster Activities

- Helped to purchase NEW MS Basketball Uniforms
- Blankets
- Concessions
- Next Meeting 12/5 at 6:30 pm

MONDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2023

Picture Day Schedule

2:40 - MS Boys Basketball

3:00 - HS Wrestling

3:20 - HS Girls Basketball

3:40 - MS Cheer

4:00 - HS Cheer

4:20 - Academic Team

4:40 - MS Girls Basketball

5:00 - MS Wrestling

5:20 - HS Boys Basketball

5:40 - Bowling

Pictures in Board Office Auxiliary Cafeteria

TEAM MEETINGS

HS Boys Basketball: HS Gymnasium

HS Girls Basketball: Room 58 (back hall)

Bowling (Boys & Girls): HS Library

Wrestling (HS & MS): HS Auditoria

MS Girls Basketball: MS Art Room

MS Boys Basketball: MS Cafeteria

- Scan this QR code with your smartphone
- Answer the questions to receive credit for attending the meeting

