



Owatonna Athletic and Activities Department

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The Owatonna Activities office would like to thank the MSHSL and the Board of Directors for all their time, hard work and dedication in coming to a very difficult decision for our fall activities. We are excited and grateful for the opportunity to provide fall activities, as well as provide an opportunity for our students to participate in all activities throughout this upcoming year, with Football, Volleyball & Fall Cheer having been moved to a spring season. We know there is no ideal situation, but we understand that we are operating in difficult and uncertain times. We will work with our coaches and advisors to provide the best environments to keep our students safe, while providing an excellent educationally based activities experience. Fall schedules will be adjusted and are yet to be determined. Please continue to check the owatonna activities website for updates, as well as big9.org. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we make the required adjustments to our activities schedules and protocols.

Registration for fall activities is now open on our new registration platform, Affinity. Directions to create a parent account and register are available on the owatonna activities website, owatonnaactivities.com

The following options describe who is eligible and not eligible to participate in Owatonna High School activities:

1. Families that are enrolled in the Owatonna Public Schools are eligible to participate in school activities.
2. Families that are enrolled in the Owatonna Public Schools and choose distance-learning through the Owatonna Public Schools, are eligible to participate in activities.
3. Families that choose to HomeSchool their children and live within Owatonna school boundaries, are eligible to participate in school activities. Please note that Home School families must register with MDE and the Owatonna School District as a HomeSchool option. Please know that On-Line learning is not the same as a HomeSchool option.
4. Families that choose to enroll in a private On-Line Academy (not Owatonna Public Schools distance-learning) or Open Enroll in another school, are **NOT** eligible to participate in high school activities, as they will not be enrolled in Owatonna Public Schools. Any student that is not enrolled at the Owatonna Schools is ineligible to participate in high school activities. Students will be ineligible for one academic year from the date of re-enrollment, if they choose to re-enroll in the Owatonna Schools.

In order to abide by MDH, CDC, and MDE guidelines, we will **not** be holding our annual Fall Parent-Student/Athlete meeting on August 17th. Each fall program will hold an individual parent meeting. Dates, times and locations will be determined by our coaches/advisors and communicated to each family.

The following activities are open for registration on Affinity:

(Tryout/practice info is available through each coach/advisor)

1. **Boys Cross Country** **Grades 7-12 may register**
 Dave Chatelaine (Boys CC) dchatelaine@isd761.org
2. **Girls Cross Country** **Grades 7-12 may register**
 Dan Leer (Girls CC) dleer@isd761.org
3. **Boys Soccer** **Grades 8-12 may register**
 Bob Waypa (Boys Soccer) mnwaypa@gmail.com
4. **Girls Soccer** **Grades 8-12 may register**
 Nate Gendron (Girls Soccer) nlgendron@gmail.com
5. **Girls Tennis** **Grades 7-12 may register**
 Curt Matejcek (Girls Tennis) cmatejcek@isd761.org
6. **Girls Swim & Dive** **Grades 7-12 may register**
 Isaiah Fuller (Girls Swim & Dive) fuis0401@gmail.com
7. **Fall Drama** **Grades 9-12 may register**
 Erik Eitrheim (Fall Drama) eeitrheim@isd761.org
8. **Math League** **Grades 7-12 may register**
 Steve Benson (Math League) sbenson1@isd761.org
9. **Jazz Band** **Grades 9-12 may register**
 Pete Guenther (Jazz Band) pguenther@isd761.org