

Abington High School Fall 2020 Athletic Overview



Fall Sports Offered: Soccer (boys & girls), Cross Country (boys & girls), Golf (co-ed)

Coaches Contact Information:

Girls Soccer: katecasey@abingtonps.org
Boys Soccer: michaelcaseley@abingtonps.org
Cross Country: matthewcampbell@abingtonps.org
Golf: timhill@abingtonps.org

First Day of Tryouts: Friday September 25

- This will allow students, families, and staff to acclimate and focus on the transition into the school year before adding athletics. There may be virtual team meetings to review safety protocols prior to Friday September 25, coaches will reach out to students/parents to schedule these.

Game Schedules:

- Schedules will be available online at <http://miaa.net/schools/public/AbinAb> and updated regularly. This is the only place for our official schedules. Sub varsity schedules are still being built.
- Teams will play a limited schedule with primarily South Shore League Schools
- Varsity teams will compete in the SSL post season tournament only, there is no MIAA post season
- Sub Varsity teams will play a schedule, but it will not be a traditional schedule due to transportation and other restrictions. Many times it will be a separate day than the varsity game.
- Games will take place on weekends more than in previous years

Sport Modifications:

- All sports will be modified for the safety of the participants per MIAA, DESE and EEA guidance
- Sport specific modifications can be found here:
 - o Soccer: http://www.miaa.net/gen/miaa_generated_bin/documents/basic_module/SoccerModificationsFall2020.pdf
 - o Cross Country: http://www.miaa.net/gen/miaa_generated_bin/documents/basic_module/CrossCountryModificationsFall2020.pdf
 - o Golf: http://www.miaa.net/gen/miaa_generated_bin/documents/basic_module/GolfModificationsFall2020.pdf

Registration process:

- Sign up on FamilyID by 9/18: <https://www.familyid.com/programs/2020-fall-athletics-6>
- Complete concussion baseline test: Information will be included in the registration process and a direct link emailed to all students' school email addresses
- Make sure you have an updated in person physical on file with AHS. Can submit to Athletic Director Peter Serino.
- Attend team meeting via teams in advance of tryout – to be scheduled by individual coaches

Locker Rooms

- Note students will not have access to locker rooms and will be encouraged to arrive ready for practice
- Students whose cohort is in school will have access to bathrooms in accordance with occupancy guidelines to change if necessary but are encouraged to dress in attire appropriate for school and practice

User Fees

- User fees will remain the same – there are additional costs to running athletics during these current times that we anticipate more than offsetting any savings due to a shorter game schedule
- In the event of a season being cut short after games have been played user fees will not be refunded if the season begins, as costs will already have been incurred
- Students qualifying for free/reduced lunch will receive an athletic fee waiver – note this must be completed each school year
 - o Application:
<https://abingtonps.org/FoodService/Free%20and%20Reduced%20Price%20School%20Meals%20E%202020-21.pdf>

Transportation

- Rosters for away games may be limited due to transportation restrictions. Most busses can accommodate a total of 23 passengers.
- Parents will be allowed to transport their own children to and from games

Fans

- In accordance with the EEA guidelines we will have to restrict fans at games
- We will ask parents to limit the number of fans who attend games and all who attend will be required to wear a mask and stay distanced
- Fans may be asked to provide contact information when attending a game for contact tracing purposes in accordance with guidelines

Virtual Cohort Participation

- Students in the virtual cohort who wish to participate in fall athletics should email a request to Athletic Director Peter Serino explaining why they wish to participate in athletics after choosing the virtual academic option

Traditional Fall Sports Moved to “Fall 2 – Floating Season”: Football, Competitive Cheerleading & Girls Volleyball

- Note we MAY offer some limited “club” type opportunities in the fall if possible, students who may have traditionally played these sports are encouraged to try another sport in the fall
- Students will be allowed to play one sport in each of the 4 seasons
- We anticipate all these activities will be outdoors if they take place

More Information

- Follow @AbingtonAD on twitter
- Sign up for Constant Contact here: <https://visitor.constantcontact.com/manage/optin?v=001SJ0VA3zU47kCWy5YzS4zILJKT4DZi7If>
- Please stay informed as information is constantly changing and email peterserino@abingtonps.org with any questions

