

Notification from: **Melican Middle School (MMS)**

September 8, 2021

Dear Melican Families –

Our first three days back to 100% in-person learning were exciting! Students' energy and spirit permeated the halls, classrooms, cafeteria, and outside learning spaces. Some of our students have not participated in in-person learning for 18 months, some of our students are new to the district, and some of our students are struggling with personal and/or social issues. We are committed to being flexible and will help all students transition back into a more "typical" school year. Please reach out if your child(ren) is/are struggling with the transition and we will partner with you to support him/her/them.

We have attached an updated school-issued device insurance option for your family. Some students received their Chromebooks last week, while others will receive them this week.

Please visit our [eBackpack](#) frequently for important community and school information.

Families are reminded to please review our Handbook (linked on our [homepage](#)) this week. We have included the link [here](#) for your convenience. Parents/Guardians will receive information about how to "sign off" that they understand the Handbook (via PowerSchool), and students will sign off next week in one of their classes.

Please see the information below from Jennifer Callaghan, Assistant Principal and Athletic Director:

Fall Athletics:

There is a Fall Sports Zoom Meeting - September 8, 2021 @ 6:30

Join the Zoom Meeting:

<https://nsboro-k12-ma-us.zoom.us/j/89383823999>

Each fall athlete needs to have a current physical in the health office to participate in tryouts. In order to participate in interscholastic sports, students must be in 7th or 8th grade.

Athletes should bring water bottles and the necessary equipment to participate in the sport:

Cross Country - sneakers

Soccer - cleats, mouth guard, shin guard, own ball if you have one.

Field Hockey - Cleats, mouth guard, shin guards, stick, and protective face mask. We have plenty of sticks to loan athletes.

Girls' and Boys' Soccer tryouts will begin this week on Friday, 2:30-4. The first game is on September 21.

Cross Country practices will start on Thursday this week, September 9, 2:30-3:30. The first meet is 9/15 at Shrewsbury.

The Field Hockey season will begin next Monday (9/13). Interested 7th and 8th graders should sign-up outside the health office. We are still looking for a coach. If you know of an interested candidate, please email me at jcallaghan@nsboro.k12.ma.us. The position is posted on SchoolSpring.com

Please email Jen Callaghan with any questions regarding fall sports.

Schedule for the Week:

Wednesday (9/8)

6:30 p.m. – Fall Athletics Informational Meeting via Zoom (see above)

Thursday (9/9)

2:30-3:30 – Cross Country Practice

Friday (9/10)

2:30-4:00 – Boys' and Girls' Soccer Try-Outs

Upcoming:

September 13 (M) and 14 (T) – School Pictures – More details will be forthcoming.

September 16 (Th) – No School – Yom Kippur

Please reach out with any questions.

Respectfully,

Michelle Karb, Principal and Jennifer Callaghan, Assistant Principal

Attachments available for 30 days until Thursday, October 7, 2021:

[PS of Northborough and Southborough \(MA\) 2021-22 gpo handout.pdf](#)