



# Westlane Middle School

Mr. Bill Pitcock, Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian and Prospective Athlete:

Westlane Middle School is proud to offer the following athletic programs for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the Fall of 2017.

Football Soccer (Boys and Girls) Tennis (Boys and Girls) Volleyball  
Cheerleading (team was formed in the Spring 2017)  
Tennis (Boys and Girls) Cross Country (Boys and Girls)  
(6<sup>th</sup> grade is allowed to participate in both Tennis and Cross Country)

In order to participate in any of the Fall Sports. **You must first have a current physical that was completed after April 1, 2017.** This document is very important for the safety of each athlete.

Soccer, Tennis, and Volleyball tryouts will begin immediately after school August 2.

Athletics provide the venue through which leadership, problem solving, decision making and perseverance are learned, practiced, and reinforced. Middle school athletics are more than just participation and a team picture. A true athlete is someone of high moral character who possesses a genuine work ethic. He/She contributes to the team in many different roles and always strives for improvement and efficient execution of skills, in practice as well as in competition.

An athlete has fun! It is fun to go beyond perceived limitations, set new goals, and achieve them. The amount of work it takes is immense, but the difficult road to success is well worth the effort! We challenge you to make the commitment to build your future through athletics. Be a student-athlete and be supportive of our student-athletes.

## FOOTBALL INFORMATION:

Monday, July 31, equipment handout, locker assignment, and conditioning from 4-6, with parent providing transportation.

Tuesday, August 1, conditioning from 4-6, with parent providing transportation.

Each football athlete will be required to pay a fee that will cover a personal jersey, practice jersey, pants/pads, mouth piece, and conditioning of helmets.



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**PARENTS AND PRACTICE:**

Parents, all practices are closed. Refrain from being in the practice area of your student-athlete. We appreciate your support but it is also important that our coaches have the full attention of each athlete.

**Each athlete also needs to arrive and be picked up on time.** It will be up to the coach's discretion if late pick up continues to be an issue.

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Richard Bishop  
Westlane Athletic Director