

# 2023 EDS Spring Athletic Season Information

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Dear Parents and Students,

The EDS spring athletic season is just around the corner! This letter is jam-packed with important updates and reminders, so please take a moment to read fully.

## 1) Athletic Department Orientation and Team Meetings:

The EDS Athletic Department will host spring parent-coach-player preseason meetings on Zoom before the start of the athletic season for Baseball, Soccer, and Track & Field.

The Zoom meetings will be no longer than 30 minutes each, which allows families and players to attend more than one team meeting.

### On Monday, February 6:

- 5:30 P.M. - Baseball
  - [Click here for Zoom link](#)
- 6:00 P.M. - Boys Soccer
  - [Click here for Zoom link](#)
- 6:30 P.M. - Girls Soccer
  - [Click here for Zoom link](#)
- 7:00 P.M. - Track & Field
  - [Click here for Zoom link](#)

**2) Health Forms:** Athletes *must have all health forms* completed and turned into the Front Office by the start of the season. These required forms can be accessed through BigSIS:

- o 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Physician Health Form
- o 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Parent Concussion Acknowledgement Form

**3) Game Schedules:** The game schedules and driving directions to away games can be found on the EDS Athletics website at [www.edspanthers.com](http://www.edspanthers.com). Team schedules are subject to changes throughout the season but particularly at the start. Please check the schedules periodically.

**4) Contact Information:** To reach EDS Athletic Director, Jaye Cohen, please email [jcohen@edsaugusta.com](mailto:jcohen@edsaugusta.com) or call him directly at 706-261-0111. If you would like to discuss any ideas about the athletic program, please contact him to schedule a meeting.

EDS follows the CDC and National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) guidelines for the health and safety of our students, coaches, and visitors. As these guidelines update, so will our procedures, and our team will communicate any changes as necessary.

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**The first day of practice/tryouts for all teams is Tuesday, February 7th.** Tryout dates are Feb 7, 8, and 9 (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday). Coach Cohen will email all participants and families the results of tryouts on Saturday, February 11, after 9:00 A.M. All middle school students are eligible to participate on an EDS spring team.

## 5) Transportation

- As long as EDS has the means to transport the athletes to practices and games, we will.
- On game days, teams will be driven to the site by EDS buses if possible but only for the 4:00 P.M. start times.
- Pick-up will be at the practice/game site with the exception of track & field team practices.
- There may be times we will need to organize a parent carpool to a practice/game. Coach Cohen will email all parents in the event of needing assistance in transporting the team to practice or the game.

## 6) **NEW for 2023 - Game Admission**

- **The AAMSL Athletic Directors approved for schools to charge admission at all regular season soccer and baseball games, and at all tournament/championship events including the track & field championship.**
- **AAMSL admission fees are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and children 3 years old and up.**

## EDS Spring Athletic Team Information

### Baseball Team

Team Size: 12

Practice Days: Monday - Thursday

Practice Times: 3:30 to 5:30 P.M.

Practice Location: EDS-FWC Baseball Field

Home games are played at EDS-FWC Baseball Field

Equipment Needs: cleats (non-metal), **gray baseball pants** for away games, **white baseball pants** for home games, baseball glove, and \$15 for an EDS baseball hat.

The team will order a hoodie (more information to come on pricing.)

Head Coach: David Rivers

Assistant Coach: Dave Dunaway

Assistant Coach: Wayne Carter

### **Zoom Meeting Information - EDS Baseball - Parent-Coach-Player Preseason Meeting**

Time: Feb 6 - 5:30 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9192331322?pwd=MFBsT1BRU3ZITkFESm5uOTB5K0M4dz09>

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Meeting ID: 919 233 1322

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## Varsity Boys Soccer Team

Team Size: 20

Practice Days: Monday - Thursday

Practice Times: 3:15 to 5:00 P.M.

Practice Location: Flowing Wells Campus - Stadium at Morris Field

Home games are played at Flowing Wells Campus - Stadium at Morris Field

Equipment Needs: soccer cleats, shin guards, dark shorts with 9 inch inseam, white t-shirts, dark socks, and a water bottle

Head Coach: Jackson Ammons - [ammons8jackson@gmail.com](mailto:ammons8jackson@gmail.com)

Asst Coach: Kirby Melbourne

## Zoom Meeting Information - EDS Boys Soccer - Parent-Coach-Player Preseason Meeting

Time: Feb 6 - 6:00 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81133595686>

Meeting ID: 811 3359 5686

## Varsity Girls Soccer Team

Team Size: 20

Practice Days: Monday - Thursday

Practice Times: 3:15 to 5:00 P.M.

Practice Location: Flowing Wells Campus - Stadium at Morris Field

Home games are played at Flowing Wells Campus - Stadium at Morris Field

Equipment Needs: soccer cleats, shin guards, dark shorts with 9 inch inseam, white t-shirts, dark socks, and a water bottle

Head Coach: Shea Schmelzer

Co-Head Coach: Kirby Melbourne

## Zoom Meeting Information - EDS Girls Soccer - Parent-Coach-Player Preseason Meeting

Time: Feb 6 - 6:30 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87585959897>

Meeting ID: 875 8595 9897

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## Track & Field Team

Team Size: unlimited

Practice Days: Monday – Thursday

**Practice Time: 3:15 to 5:00 P.M.**

**First Practice: Monday, February 13 (First Week's practice is at EDS WWC all week.)**

Practice Location:

- Monday - Richmond Academy - Track
- Tuesday - EDS Walton Way Campus
- Wednesday - Richmond Academy - Track
- Thursday - EDS Walton Way Campus

Equipment Needs: running shoes, shorts, t-shirt, and a water bottle

**Track Team Transportation: The EDS bus will take the track team to practice and bring them back to EDS for parent pick-up at 5:00 P.M.**

Coaches: Steve Josey, Judah Breland, and Morgan Quiller

## **Zoom Meeting Information - EDS Track & Field - Parent-Coach-Player Preseason Meeting**

Time: Feb 6 - 7:00 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82529382326>

Meeting ID: 825 2938 2326