



SUMMER UPDATE 2

If you have not signed up for the Booster Club yet, please do so. It is not too late. With the loss of our main fundraising project in the spring, the dues from Booster Club memberships will help close our large budget gap this season. Click on the link below for the form and instructions.

[BOOSTER MEMBERSHIP FORM](#)

Hello everyone! At this writing, it looks like football will be played this season (fingers crossed). What that means - when or how many games, is yet unknown. I know this is being hammered home by the district and everywhere else, but we can all do our part to make sure we play – wearing masks, staying home and away from others if sick and showing any symptoms, washing hands, social distancing, etc. If you haven't already, take a look at what KSHSAA has put out on [Return to Play](#), including specific considerations around [football](#). I'm sure the coaching staff is working through the impact to the players and what the gameday and gameplay situation will look like. I anticipate there will be significant modifications to what the gameday atmosphere will be, whether games are played at Olathe Districts facilities like ODAC or CBAC and at High Schools. We will probably have to make modifications to the way we support the team – i.e. what “pre-game meals” will look like or what game attendance will look like, but the most important thing will be that the boys will get play the game they love.

HUGE SHOUT OUT

As everyone knows, we had to cancel Mulch Madness 2020 this spring due to the lockdown, which caused our significant budget shortfall. When talking with the board and several parents about ways to make up the fundraising gap, one parent, Emilio Marroquin, father of senior, Zaden Marroquin (Varsity Defensive Back and Kicker), quickly came up with the idea of Olathe East face masks/coverings as a fundraiser. After a little bit of research, I got Steph Herl to reach out to one of our spirit wear vendors and I checked in with another one. At the end of the day, our face mask fundraising project is going to cover a little more than half the shortfall of the mulch fundraising loss! Glad Emilio came up with the idea before another group did! Thanks to everyone who supported and purchased masks and also helped deliver the masks to their final destinations (Cathy

Schofield, Katie & Brayden Barber, Beth & Joe Zinn, Christy Anderson, Coach Porter, Nick Slade). And a great big Thank You to Emilio!!!

Still looking for the following specific volunteers If you are interested, please let me know.

Freshmen Class Representatives

Thanks to Julie Hartung, we'll only need **one more** parent volunteer to help serve as Freshmen Class Reps ("go to" parents for the freshmen class - mainly to send out (email) information and to maintain an updated contact list.) I am not able to attend every Freshmen game, so if there is something that needs to be handed out to the freshmen parents, I may ask one of the reps to assist, so someone who usually attends these games would be a good choice.

Looking for anyone with Publishing/Graphic Design Skills

The Booster Club could use some assistance in development in the Game Program. We have templates that have been used in the previous years that can be reused and are looking for any individuals who have experience with Photoshop and Graphic Design that can assist the Club. If you have these skills, we can really use your help! Please contact me!

Looking for someone who has interest in taking over the Olatheeastfootball.com website after this season

We spent a lot of time over the past year in the redesign of the website and will need someone to take over the control/content after this year. If you have experience and interest in web design (you don't have to be an expert), let me know and you can work with us this season to learn.

Gatorade Drive

At some point, we still plan to hold the Gatorade drive. We just don't have a planned date. Once the schedule is firmed up and we know when coach will be bringing all parents in, we will hold our drive. We are looking for donations of about a case or two (or however many you can donate) of Gatorades (18oz or 20oz bottles) to hand out to the players after every game this season. Our goal is to collect enough for all three levels (Freshmen, JV and Varsity). With the current count, we will need over 1,000 bottles to cover the season and hopefully a deep playoff run. We've received enough every year thanks to the generosity of the families, and I have no doubt we'll get there again.

Spirit Shop – NOW OPEN!!!!

Our 2020 Spirit Shop is now open! Make sure you check out and get some of our gear featuring our exclusive 2020 logo! The store is only open until August 9th! So make sure you get your order in today!! Thanks again to Steph Herl who worked with our vendor on the logo design and to get these items available! **She has a few samples of these items and will in the parking lot at the end of team camp on Wednesday, July 29th at 10am if anyone wants to check out some of the item available.**

Our spirit shop can be found at the following link:

https://stores.inksoft.com/olathe_east_football/shop/home

Senior Parents

With all the changes happening at the state and district level, expect changes to what we are able to do this season for “senior activities. I’ll keep everyone up to date as I have solid information. There may be times we have very short lead times on things, so please be understanding. I’ll send out a more detailed note later this week to the senior families with information specific to them.

Other Committees

I have created a [Sign-Up Genius](#) for people to sign up for committees. I’ll be making changes to the committee requirements as needs change based on what we might not be able to do based on district and state guidelines. If you have questions, please reach out to me or the chairperson of that committee.

Go Hawks!

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