

**2023-2024**  
**Lowcountry Wildcats**  
**Information Meeting**



# Lowcountry Wildcats

- **Who are we?**
- **Low Country Christian Home School Athletic Association (LCCHSAA) – 501 c 3**
  - **Board Members:**
    - Steve Anderson - President**
    - Randy Byerly - Treasurer**
    - Mark Maenche – Secretary (Basketball AD)**
    - Chris Vedder (Soccer AD)**
    - Sabrina Polites (Volleyball AD)**
    - Keith Brushett**
    - Mike McGinnis**



# Mission Statement

**“To bring Glory to God by providing an opportunity for home school students to develop Christ-like character and athletic skill while participating in competitive athletic programs under Christian leadership.”**



# Statement of Faith

- *We believe the Bible to be the only inspired, trustworthy and true, without error, Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)*
- *We believe there is only one God who eternally exists in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)*
- *We believe Jesus Christ is God, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His death that paid for our sin through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension / rising up to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. (John 1:1; Matthew 1:18,25; Hebrews 4:15; Hebrews 9:15-22; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Acts 1:9-11; Hebrews 9:27-28)*
- *We believe that acceptance of Jesus Christ and the corresponding renewal of the Holy Spirit is the only path to salvation for lost/sinful men and women. (John 3:16; John 5:24; Titus 3:3-7)*



# Statement of Faith

- *We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, who lives within and guides Christians, so they are enabled to live godly lives. (John 14:15-26; John 16:5-16; Ephesians 1:13-14)*
- *We believe there is one God, the creator and preserver of all things. Through Him, male and female were created, and all human life is sacred and cared for from conception (Genesis 1:27). Relative to male and female being the two created and assigned sexes, we offer sports according to that construct.*
- *We believe in eternal life and that through belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God, we spend eternity with the Lord in Heaven. We believe that in rejecting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, we receive eternal suffering in hell. (Matthew 25:31-46; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)*
- *We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ that all believers are members of His body, the church. (Philippians 2:1-4)*



# Recent History

- **Significant increase in numbers the past 2 years**
- **~80 players in 21-22, ~90 players in 22-23**
- **Transition in leadership last year**
- **New volunteer management system & requirements last year**



# Where are we going?

- **Significant effort behind the scenes**
- **PGC – summer camp for players & coaches**
- **Wildcats Basketball summer camp**
- **Pixellot camera system – automated filming of games, stat-tracking via AI(VB)**
- **OWN FACILITY!**



# What do we offer?

- **Competitive Basketball**
- **Male & Female Teams**
- **Levels**
  - **4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Elementary**
  - **7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Middle School**
  - **9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – JV**
  - **11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Varsity**





# Player Testimonial

Gabriel Rundio



# **Organizational Expectations**

- **We are a cooperative organization**
- **Parents must be more than spectators**
- **We need your help!!**



# Volunteer Needs

- **700 Hours of Total Volunteer Need**
- **\$28.11 per hour is the estimated value of a volunteer hour in South Carolina**  
**(<https://independentsector.org/resource/value-of-volunteer-time/>)**
- **\$5,200 of Concessions Donations**



# Volunteer Tracking

- **We will credit each volunteer \$30 per hour of service**
  - **Varsity level games are 1.5 hours**
  - **JV and below are 1 hour**
- **Concessions will be allocated based on the cost of the items being supplied**



# Organizational Expectations

- **\$330 worth of contributions PER PLAYER – any combination of service hours (\$30 per hour, i.e. 11 hours) or concession contributions**
- **OPT-OUT: \$330 up-front payment**
- **\$165 deposit BY CHECK – will be held**
  - **No deposit on file – will not be allowed to play**
  - **If no hours logged by 1/1, check will be cashed and another deposit check of \$165 will be required**
  - **If hours logged by 1/1, then you will have until 2/5 to complete your hours – check will be cashed if hours requirements not satisfied**



# Q & A on Expectations

- **Any questions?**
- **We want to serve you and your children as an organization, and we believe that this is the best way to steward the resources being entrusted to us.**
- **Volunteer tracking is still a work in progress - GRACE needs to go both ways!!**



# Communication

- **More communication = better. When in doubt, over-communicate**
- **Communicate early & often**
- **Dispute resolution**
  - **Approach the coach first**
  - **If unresolved, Basketball AD can be involved**
  - **If larger issue after coach & AD, Board involvement**



# Season Details

- **Expenses ~\$22,000**
- **Estimated Player Count: ~70 players**
  - **(\$300+ per player in expenses)**
- **Income is from Player Registration Fees, Concessions/Admissions, and Donations**





# Season Details

- **2023-2024 Player Fees**
  - **Elementary \$140**
  - **Middle School \$240**
  - **JV / Varsity Girls \$265**
  - **Varsity Boys \$295**
- **OPT-IN for East Coast Nationals (JVB, VG, VB)**
  - **\$73 per player (due by 12/31)**
- **Uniform is NOT included in fees above**



# Uniforms

- **Uniform Fees**

- **Reversible \$93**
- **Home / Away Separate \$180**



# Season Details

## Practice Locations

- **Northwood Baptist (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat)**
  - **2200 Greenridge Rd, North Charleston, SC 29406**
- **Highland Park Baptist (Mon, Thurs)**
  - **6211 Murray Dr, Hanahan, SC 29410**



# Season Details

## Tryouts!

- **JV / V Girls**

- **Mon Sept 25 (5-7 @ Northwood)**
- **Fri Sept 29 (3-5 @ Northwood)**
- **Sat Sept 30 (12-2 @ Northwood)**

- **JV / V Boys**

- **Mon Sept 18 (6-8:30 @ Highland Park)**
- **Tues Sept 19 (7:30-9 @ Northwood)**
- **Thur Sept 21 (6-8:30 @ Highland Park)**
- **Sat Sept 23 Coach, Player, Parent meetings**



# Season Details

## Tryouts!

- **Elementary / Middle School Girls**
  - **Mon Oct 9 (7-8:30 @ Northwood)**
  - **Sat Oct 14 (12-1:30 @ Northwood)**
- **Elementary School Boys**
  - **Mon Oct 9 (6-7:30 @ Highland Park)**
  - **Sat Oct 14 (3-4:30 @ Northwood)**
- **Middle School Boys**
  - **Mon Oct 9 (7:30-9 @ Highland Park)**
  - **Thurs Oct 14 (1:30-3 @ Northwood)**



# Season Details

## Practice Days

- **Elementary / Middle School Girls**
  - **Mon @ Highland Park**
  - **Tues, Fri @ Northwood**
  
- **JV / V Girls**
  - **Mon @ Highland Park**
  - **Tues, Thurs @ Northwood**



# Season Details

## Practice Days

- **Middle School Boys**
  - **Mon, Sat @ Northwood**
- **Elementary Boys**
  - **Mon, Sat @ Northwood**



# Season Details

## Practice Days

- **JV Boys**

- **Mon, Tues, Sat @ Northwood**
- **Thurs @ Highland Park**

- **V Boys**

- **Mon, Tues, Sat @ Northwood**
- **Thurs @ Highland Park**





# **Important Dates**

## **Varsity (V) & Junior Varsity (JV)**

- **Sept 25-28: JV & V BOYS REGISTRATION**
- **Oct 2-5: JV & V GIRLS REGISTRATION**
- **Fri Nov 17: JV & V First Game (Faith Christian)**
- **Jan 12-13: Games near Savannah**
- **Jan 19-20: Games near Greenville**
- **Feb 8-10: State Championships (Easley SC)**
- **Sat Feb 17: Wildcat Senior Celebration**
- **Mar 4-8: East Coast National Homeschool Tournament (Gatlinburg TN for JVB, VG, VB)**



# **Important Dates Middle (MS) & Elementary (ES)**

- **Oct 16-19: ES & MS REGISTRATION**
- **Sat Dec 2: Middle & Elementary First Game**
- **Feb 19: Wildcats End of Year Celebration**

## **MS ONLY**

- **Jan 12-13: Games near Savannah**
- **Jan 19-20: Games near Greenville**
- **Feb 8-10: State Championships (Easley SC)**



# **Beyond Basketball**

- **Nutrition Encouragement**
  - **Randy & Becky Byerly**
- **Manners / Civility Training**
- **Book Study / Scripture memorization**
- **Group for those interested in playing in college**

## **Org wide events!**

- **Wildcats Picnic – tentatively 10/21**
- **Wildcats Worship Night - TBD**



# **Q & A on Season**

- **Any questions?**
- **LET'S GO WILDCATS!!**



# Prayer



# Coach Breakout

