

## Ridge Baseball Boosters

February 14<sup>th</sup> 2023

### Officers:

President – Brian McEntire  
Vice President – Michael Bailey  
Secretary- Courtney Licardi  
Treasurer – Jen Peery  
Coach – Eddie Bonine

### Spring Sports Information:

- **Important Policies:**

- Grade checks will be run on Thursdays for the following week's player eligibility – teachers are not expected rush grading for work turned in late
- Transfers from other school are required to sit out 50% of the games – need a Transfer Policy signed by the other school before any competitions are played
- State off day is Sunday – no games/practice
- Baseball club sports cannot be played while we are in season
- Jersey's need to be returned at the end of the season, otherwise players will be charged
- No pets/animals at games
- Resolution Policy: Any concerns on the field need to be addressed by the player with the coach directly. If no resolution, then parent/player and coach will meet. If still no resolution, Athletic Director, Tony will be involved.
- Ticketing for all Ridge sports is now on **GOFan** – no cash will be accepted
  - Reminder you can buy a student and/or family sport pass at the MRHS Book Store.
- Transportation for athletics is still a challenge – may need parents to help transport players for games
- **District Sport Participation fee –: \$100 per sport**, max \$200 per student, max \$300 per family – please be sure to pay the **MRHS Book Store**
- Reminder for boys to be careful with Social Media and to avoid getting in trouble

### Baseball Breakout (Coach Eddie Bonine):

- Players who are not cleared for play by the 8<sup>th</sup> day, will be given 1 more week of ineligibility by Coach Eddie –  
Reminder for boys to be on top of their school work.
- Players are expected to be responsible, respectable young men. Their communication and behavior need to reflect accordingly in all aspects of school, ie in class, in the cafeteria, in the parking lot, and at other school else they will face disciplinary action.

### Player Needs:

- Matte white batting helmet
- White cleats
- Black socks
- White + Gray Pants (any style) – No pipping
- *Note: Players will be given jerseys, hats, shirts, & belts*

### Season Information:

- Practice or games will be held M-F and be done by 5
- We'll have scrimmage games for the first 3 weeks before the season starts – next week we have a Varsity Pre-Season Charity Tourney – details to come soon.
- Spring Break:
- Families should feel free to schedule vacation for Spring Break, note there will be games still.
  - JV/Frosh will have a game Tuesday & practice Monday/Wednesday morning of Spring Break – players will be free Wednesday afternoon through Sunday.
  - Varsity will practice/play all week

- All player communications will be done via the **Team App**, managed by the Coaches – Booster may or may not have this information. Therefore, parents should expect to receive practice/game day updates from their player directly.
- Game day schedules will be shared soon!

**President Welcome**– Brian

- Board member Introductions
- Reminder to business owners: Please purchase a banner to support our baseball athletes Details shared in email.

**Game Day Experience:**

- We will have ceremonial 1<sup>st</sup> pitches for every Varsity in-season game – if you know anyone in the community that has helped your kid, supported baseball or who should be recognized please let us know.
- We are working to have Food Trucks at every home game for all teams (Varsity, JV + Freshman) – If you know anyone with a food truck let us know!
- Team Dinners each week will be planned for all in-season games. These will be organized by the Team Coordinator (see below) to allow boys to have some fun off the field and bond. This is Ridge Baseball tradition.
- Need parents to volunteer to host these dinners - Families can partner up to feed the boys either the day before the game or after – once per week for whatever day is best.
- Dinners are typically for boys only.
- **Cleats Fan Store – Is open NOW until 2/23!** <https://cleats.chipply.com/mrbaseball/>

**Volunteers Needed:**

- Team Specific Leaders/Activities
  - Need volunteers for each team to serve as the Team Coordinator/Leader
  - In this role they will help to coordinate for Team Dinners and will also contact the opposing team’s school for game logistics, ie cash/etickets, bleachers/no bleachers, food/no food so they can inform parents.
- Game Changer/Scoreboard/Announcing/Photographer
  - We are looking for other volunteers to also serve in other roles on game day.
  - Please see the chart below for needed volunteers.
  - If you are interested in helping, please let me know.
  - *Note: Roles can be shared if needed*

	<b>Team Coordinator</b>	<b>Game Changer</b>	<b>Scoreboard</b>	<b>Announcer</b>	<b>Photographer</b>
<b>Freshman</b>				n/a	
<b>JV</b>	Kiu Hoang			Kevin Caldwell	
<b>Varsity</b>		Varsity Players		Brian McEntire	Nana Forbes

**Other Volunteer Opportunities** *(to be discussed at a future Booster meeting)*

- Senior Night Chairman and Members to help plan and coordinate Senior Night
- Banquet Committee Members to help plan and execute the end of the year season banquet.
  - Jen Peery will serve as the committee chair.

**Upcoming Events:**

- Varsity Charity Scrimmage – Next Week – details in the Team App
- Next Booster Meeting: **Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00p**
- Senior Night (vs O’Conner @ home): Monday, 4/24
- Banquet Night: Thursday, 5/18 (tentative)