## PNCS Badminton 2023

Hi everyone!
Your son/daughter has expressed interest in joining our junior high badminton team this year! We have 4 coaches available to work with students this year: Mrs. Rau, Mr. McCann, Ms. Jestin, and Mr. Ivey.

## MAIN PRACTICE SCHEDULE (Starting the week of March $13^{\text {th }}$ )

Grade 8's: Monday and Wednesday 4:00-5:00
Grade 7's and 9's: Tuesday and Thursday 4:00-5:00

## **THERE WILL BE NO PRACTICES DURING SPRING BREAK

**If any of your kids have siblings (and practice on different nights during the week) we can always have one of them join the other group instead, so that you don't have to drive in all four nights.
**If your son/daughter is unable to do the above practice times (due to other sport commitments, or your work, etc.) you can also sign them up for the other days- ex. gr. 8 student can sign up for Tuesday/Thursday instead.

## Please indicate, on the last page of this form, if you need different practice days for your son/daughter.

**Please make sure your son/daughter plans to be committed. They need to come to practice if they want to be a part of this team. Missing one or two for good reason is fine, but it should not be way more than that and should not be for no reason. Please make sure your son/daughter tells me (in advance) if they cannot make a practice or tournament (nothing last minute please).

## CATEGORIES:

Grade 7: Girls Singles, Boys Singles, Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles, Mixed Doubles
Grade 8: Girls Singles, Boys Singles, Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles, Mixed Doubles
Grade 9: Girls Singles, Boys Singles, Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles, Mixed Doubles

## TRYOUTS:

Unfortunately, tournaments only allow for 2 entries per category:

## Example of a grade:

Grade 7:
Girls Singles- Lucy, Marge (2)
Boys Singles- Bill, Bob (2)
Girls Doubles- Lucy and Marge, Kelly and Amy (2 teams)
Boys Doubles- Bill and Dave, Bob and Aaron (2 teams)
Mixed Doubles- Ted and Susan, Jim and Sandy (2 teams)

Therefore, sometimes tryouts are necessary to determine who will represent us at tournaments. In order to determine who will represent us in tournaments, we do a "tryout tournament" for each required category (in PE classes or in after school practices- depending on time availability). The results of these "tryout tournaments" are final and we will take the top 2 for each category. If your son/daughter is not representing us at tournaments, they are still a part of the team and we want them at practices! They will just not play in any of the division tournaments! We do lots of fun tournaments in practices, so they will still get lots of gameplay AND we want everyone, that is wanting to play, to be able to be a part of our team! Likewise, if one of our entries is not able to play in a tournament- the runner up will take his/her place.

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

In previous years (and likely this year) we will participate in two tournaments.
-April $13^{\text {th }}$ or so (possible tournament in Neerlandia, after school, till approx. 7:00)
-April $20^{\text {th }}$ (divisional tournament @Westlock Spirit Centre) during the school day

## Cost:

The cost is based on "per category" and helps pay for the cost of tournaments.
\$15 if you are representing us in 1 category at tournaments.
$\$ 30$ if you are representing us in 2 categories at tournaments.
**There is no cost for just being on the practice team.

## Rackets:

Lots of students bring their own rackets from home that they have purchased in the past. If they do not have one of their own, we have plenty of good rackets to borrow for each practice or for tournaments. If they would like to buy one of their own: there are lots of stores in the city that have them (like Sport Chek). I will also purchase a bunch that we will sell (for the same price) so that you don't have to drive in to the city. I usually buy rackets to sell that range in price from $\$ 10-\$ 60$.

## PLEASE SIGN THE BACK PAGE OF THIS TO INDICATE THAT YOUR SON/DAUGHTER PLANS ON PLAYING BADMINTON THIS YEAR AND ALSO THAT YOU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE ALSO FILL OUT ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO KNOW REGARDING PRACTICES (FROM ABOVE) OR ANYTHING ELSE.

If you have any questions for me, don't hesitate to email me or stop in to talk.
Thanks,
Mike Ivey
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I would like to be on the PNCS badminton team:

Student Name: $\qquad$

Parent Name: $\qquad$ Signature: $\qquad$

Other Information (if needed):

