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## RUSH-HENRIETTA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Modified Information Meetings Burger (7/28) & Roth (8/3) For school year 2021-22

#### 2021-22 R-H Athletics Calendar

#### Fall 2021

August 23: All Varsity/JV Sports start

September 1: Booster Club Fall Kickoff/Food Truck Rodeo @SHS 4:30 PM August 30: All Modified A/B Sports start (some team start dates may vary) September 8: First day of school for students October 9: Homecoming October 11: Columbus Day: Schools closed

#### Winter 2021-22

November 15: All V/JV Sports start November 11: Veteran's Day: Schools closed November 22: All Modified A/B Sports start November 22-23: Superintendent's Conference Day: No school K-12 November 24-26: Thanksgiving Recess December 24-31: December Recess January 17: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Schools closed January 28: Grading Day: Schools closed February 21-25: Winter Recess

#### **Spring 2022**

March 14: All V/JV Spring Sports start March 21: All Modified A/B Sports start April 18-22: Spring Recess May 30: Memorial Day: Schools closed

### **R-H Sports Modified Team Guidelines\***

\*Last year's COVID pandemic caused several modified teams to combine and/or be reorganized as 1 Mod A and 1 Mod B team instead of 2 Mod B teams (1for Roth & 1 for Burger). For this year, we will start each season with the same designated teams from last year and adjust if necessary.

## Fall Season 2021: 1 Mod B football team, 1 Mod A soccer team, 1 Mod B soccer team (boys and girls), 1 cross country team, 1 Mod A volleyball team, 1 Mod B volleyball team (girls), and 1 Mod B boys' volleyball team.

Our goal is to return to more teams as we've had in the past, following the guidelines below:

In Rush-Henrietta, Modified B sports teams are created for students in grades 7 and 8. Funding is set aside each year to offer the same Modified B teams at both Burger and Roth junior high schools. In cases where there are not enough students to field a Modified B team at each school, one combined district-wide team or two blended teams will be created.

Each year, a combined district-wide team is created for cross country, boys' lacrosse, boys' volleyball, wrestling, and track & field (boys & girls). Combined teams will also be created when required facilities are not available at each school (i.e., football and spring track and field).

Blended teams are created when one school has too few players to field a team and the other school has more than enough players to field a team. When this occurs, two blended teams will be created – teams with players from each school. One blended team will be hosted by Burger and the other by Roth. An example is boys Modified B soccer, which frequently has two blended teams.

In cases where the number of junior high school students wanting to participate in a sport exceeds the number of students that can be accommodated by Modified B teams, we will consider adding Modified A Teams. Modified A teams are combined (district-wide) teams. Modified A teams are designed for students in grades 7, 8, and 9. They are created to provide more opportunities for junior high school students to participate in modified interscholastic sports. By having students in grades 7 and 8 play on Modified A teams, more students in grades 7 and 8 can play on Modified B teams. These additional playing opportunities may not, however, provide playing opportunities to every student wanting to participate.

#### Q & A:

#### What teams do we offer each year to provide a comprehensive JHS athletics program?

The Modified B athletic program is available to students in the seventh and eighth grades. Sports activities offered at this level are determined by the existence of leagues, student interest, and relationship to the high school program. While our intention at R-H is to involve as many students as possible, the number and size of teams in any sport is determined by the availability of safe and suitable indoor and outdoor facilities, qualified and certified coaches, and financial resources. It may be necessary at this level to cut students based upon skill. The Modified B program focuses on fundamentals, rules, training, skill development, team play and sportsmanship. Emphasis is not placed on winning and every effort will be made to maximize playing time. Monroe County Schools must follow the modified playing time format. Modified A is similar to Modified B, except ninth graders may also participate.

Modified B Program Offerings: Grades 7 & 8 Mod A includes Grade 9)			
Fall	Winter	Spring	
Football	(B/G) Basketball (A & B)	(B/G) Lacrosse	
(B/G) Soccer $(A & B)$	Wrestling	Baseball (A & B)	
(B/G) Volleyball (Girls A&B)		Softball (A & B)	
(B/G) Cross Country		(B/G) Track	
(G) Tennis (Mod A)		(B) Tennis (Mod A)	

#### How are schedules established for these teams?

Schedules are established by the league (MCPSAC) scheduling chairpersons. Schools may have the opportunity to schedule non-league scrimmages/games dependent on league, section, and state guidelines for maximum number of contests allowed.

#### How are players selected for teams?

Team coach(es) select players during a tryout process. The tryout guidelines are included in the parent/student athletic handbook.

#### What are the eligibility rules for these players?

Participation in our program is not a right, but rather a privilege earned by meeting certain eligibility standards, in both academic and conduct terms. The eligibility rules are included in the parent/student athletic handbook and abide by District Policies 5280 (Interscholastic Athletics) and 5305 (Eligibility for Extracurricular Activities).

#### When can JHS students play on SHS teams? (Varsity and JV)

Students in grade 9 are eligible to try out for SHS teams (V/JV). Students in grades 7 and 8 who are *exceptional athletes* may try out for a freshman, JV, or varsity team. Prior to trying out, the student must have:

- Approval from the coach/middle school physical education teacher
- Approval from the athletic director
- Approval from the school physician/medical director
- Approval from the parent
- Meet or exceed the criteria set in the Athletic Placement Process (APP), which includes a sports skill evaluation (completed by the coach), a five-item fitness test (completed by a school PE teacher), and a developmental (maturity) rating (completed by the school nurse).

#### If a student-athlete does not make a JV team, can he/she try out for modified sports?

Yes, students in 9<sup>th</sup> grade who do not make a JV team may try out for Modified A sports. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students would be eligible for both Modified A & B. Students would also be permitted to join/tryout for a different team as long as the roster allows. For example, if they did not make the soccer team, they could join the cross-country team.

If you have further questions, please contact Tom Stewart, director of athletics, at 359-7809.

#### **Rush-Henrietta TRYOUT Guidelines**

The coach has the ultimate authority to determine the number of participants to make each team. It is imperative that we support the coach throughout this process. When determining the size of the team, many factors must be considered, such as: skill level, safety, quality of the program, facility space, time constraints, budget, playing time, team chemistry, and additional factors.

The athletic department recognizes these concerns and is striving to maximize the options available for student athletes in the athletic arena as participants or supporters of the program.

#### **TRYOUT PROCEDURES:**

- Choosing the members of the various athletic teams is the responsibility of the coach.
- Before tryouts begin, coaches will provide team information to all candidates. Such information shall include:
  - Length of tryout period.
  - Objectives used to select the members of the team.
  - Number of positions that will be selected and criteria involved in selection-positions needed, etc.
  - Distribution of practice and competition schedule. The coach will explain the commitment necessary to join the team.
  - Clear notification that tryouts are based on the performance during the selection period. Tryouts are not based on summer participation or coaching camps the athletes participated in, previous to selections.
  - Students must tryout each year and no one is guaranteed a position due to previously making the team.

All athletic sports teams will implement the following procedures in selecting team members:

(1) Try-outs will be open to all eligible students interested in trying out with the exception of 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade students trying out for a JV or varsity team. In this case students must be recommended by the coach (see APP process).

(2) There will be no "invitation only" policy used by any sport to determine who may try out for any team.

(3) The coach will use a skills test (rubric) to judge and rank the skills of each player. Some additional factors coaches will look for when choosing the team will be attitude, grades, personality, playing ability, and character qualities.

(4) There will be a minimum of three practices before any student will be cut from the team.

(5) Parents may not request that their son or daughter be moved up to varsity or to a higher-level team. If a coach wants to promote a player to the varsity level, he/she will ask parents for their permission. RH coaches will not move a player from the JV squad to the Varsity squad unless the player will be a starter or major role player at the varsity level. The quality of our athletes is continually improving and players just showing up for tryouts will not guarantee a spot on any team Athletes should be working during the off-season at open gyms, camps, clinics, etc. to improve their fundamental skills in order to make the cut.

#### From R-H Website, click on Athletics and then FamilyID Registration

#### To landing page--Rush-Henrietta Athletics

#### Fall 2021 sports

Programs

Registration will run July 23 - August 19 for JV and Varsity (grades 9-12) Start date is August 23.

Registration for Modified A & Modified B fall sports will run July 30 -August 26. Start date is August 30. Modified B sports teams are created for students in grades 7 and 8. Modified A is similar to Modified B, except students in grade 9 can also participate.

Please be sure to include necessary paperwork such as an asthma action plan and emergency care plan to avoid delays in your son/daughter being approved and starting on time.

Please be aware-There are new guidelines for return to play to PE and sports after COVID-19 <u>https://www.rhnet.org/domain/6...</u>

#### Programs

Name	Dates	Price Registration
Fall 2021 JV and Varsity High School Athletics     Registration	Jul 23, 2021 - Nov 30, 2021	\$0 Open

#### Click on Fall 2021 Athletics (you will click on Modified Jr. High)

#### Fall 2021 JV and Varsity High School Athletics Registration

Registration Deadline 08/19/2021

Welcome to Rush-Henrietta high school sports registration.

For your student to be cleared to play, you must:

Complete FamilyID Form which includes important health information reviewed by the Nurse's office prior to each season as well as mandatory policies and agreements.
Provide a *physical exam* for the student that was completed within one calendar year before the season starts (no earlier than August 1, 2020)
Provide a Medication Permission Form and Emergency Care Plan <u>if your child has asthma or a severe medical condition/allergy requiring medication</u>: Either upload current image of the R-H medication permission form and Emergency Care plan or bring a copy to the Health office. These blank forms can be downloaded from the School Health Office website or in the link section on this page. Forms must be signed by a licensed medical provider and the parent.

**Register Now** 

## All schedules are subject to change. For updated information about games, times, cancellations or postponements, please visit:



#### Click on *athletics/all schedules*

All Monroe County Schools are current subscribers of the same athletic scheduling program. Our website is directly connected to this program, which includes <u>driving directions</u> to all events as well as all MCPSAC sports schedules.

#### Get the Free Mobile App

Get the App at your App store by searching "Activity Scheduler." This mobile calendar allows you instant access to your school's Calendar, Schedules and Rosters.

It will ask you what state and then what league. We are the Monroe County Public School Athletic Conference. The final step is choosing Rush-Henrietta as the school.

