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Dear Members of the Nichols School Community,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new families at Nichols and a welcome back to the returning parents and students. Please allow me to take this opportunity to acquaint you with the goals of the Nichols Athletic Program.

The mission at Nichols is to “train minds, bodies and hearts for the work of life, and to carry into all we do the highest ideals of character and service.” An overall goal of the extracurricular athletic program is to promote that vision. We endeavor not only to develop the students' athletic skills but also to encourage students to be good citizens, to challenge their intellectual skills, and to teach them the value of teamwork. An important goal of any school should be to provide students with opportunities to practice leadership, and participation in athletics provides many such opportunities. Teamwork and how students relate to one another is essential for future success in school and in life. There are few places where such skills can be better learned than on the sports field. Participation in athletics is therefore not separate from the educational process but rather an integral part of it.

The Athletic Department at Nichols School is committed to developing successful programs which will fulfill these objectives, and which will provide a challenging, competitive environment in which the ideals of sportsmanship, personal integrity, moral character and teamwork are stressed. While winning is important, participation in athletics goes beyond winning and losing games. Coaches have a tremendous influence on young men and women and our goal is to employ coaches who are not only experts in their field, but also excellent role models to our students. We expect our coaches to instill in students proper attitudes towards fair competition and sportsmanship, and to teach them the importance of a healthy lifestyle. The lessons learned on the fields, courts, ice, water and in the gyms will remain with students for a lifetime. In addition, exemplary conduct and good sportsmanship is expected from Nichols parents and all spectators at Nichols contests. The Sportsmanship Code for Spectators is posted in the gyms, rink and at the fields and outlines the type of behavior that is expected from Nichols fans during games.

We hope you will continue to actively support Nichols Athletics. Your presence at sports events and your support of the athletic program is greatly appreciated by your children and by the coaches. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have and I look forward to seeing you at the games.

Please check the Nichols website under “Athletics” to view game schedules for each team, practice schedules, travel information, required forms and other important information.



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Sincerely,

Robert Stewart  
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