

CHAPPAQUA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HORACE GREELEY HIGH SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH, & ATHLETICS
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Greeley Athletic Program 2023–2024

What are the sports offered at the high school and when do they begin?

Start dates for each season may change, depending on the sport. Please check the Horace Greeley High School website for specific information.

Fall Sports begin August 21, 2023

- Boys' Sports - Football (8/19/23), Soccer*, Cross Country
- Girls' Sports - Cheerleading, Field Hockey*, Swimming/Diving, Soccer*, Tennis*, Volleyball*

Winter Sports begin November 13, 2023

- Boys' Sports - Basketball*, Swimming/Diving, Bowling, Skiing*, Wrestling, Indoor Track, Ice Hockey
- Girls' Sports - Basketball*, Cheerleading, Bowling, Skiing*, Indoor Track

Spring Sports begin March 11, 2024

- Boys' Sports - Baseball*, Lacrosse, Tennis*, Golf*, Track & Field
- Girls' Sports - Lacrosse*, Softball*, Track & Field

**These sports may have a selection process that includes reductions.*

How do I register my child for an athletic team?

1. The first step is the responsibility of your child. He/she/they should attend any pre-season meeting in May or June for a fall sport. Also, they should sign up for the preferred fall sport when requested during a physical education class in May.
2. Registration for the athletic teams is done electronically through "[Activity Registration](#)" on the athletics website. The directions for registration can also be found on the activity registration link. **Registration opens the month prior to the start of the season.**
3. **An updated physical exam is required for registration. This document must be submitted to the health office or uploaded during the registration process. Students cannot be cleared for participation without an up-to-date physical exam form.**

How do I prepare myself for sports at Greeley?

The best way to prepare yourself for sports at Greeley is to either contact your coach or our Strength and Conditioning coach for a pre-season program. These programs usually consist of running distance and sprints, strengthening exercises, flexibility, skill work and working with teammates. In athletics, there is no substitute for speed, strength and skill development - individually and collectively.

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Who are the coaches?

The coach's name, sport and email address can be found on the Greeley athletics website. If you have questions, call the athletic office.

Where do I check for information?

The majority of answers about Greeley sports can be found on our athletic website. For team-specific information, please sign up for [SportsYou](#). SportsYou is an app that keeps the lines of communication open between the coach, student and parent.

When and where do I practice?

The fall sport pre-season practices are at Greeley with the following exceptions:

1. Cross Country pre-season is held at Rockefeller Park in Tarrytown
2. Girls Swimming pre-season is held at Birchwood Swim and Tennis and then moves to Purchase College once school begins

What are my alternatives if I don't make a team?

The sports that usually have a large number of students trying out for a team are boys' and girls' soccer, and girls' tennis. In the past, students who have been released from those sports have continued in the athletic program in the following way:

1. Choose to join a non-reduction sport or a sport that is in need of athletes (take on a new challenge).
2. Stay with their sport as a manager, statistician or videographer.

It is a mistake to drop out of a sport entirely. Take the challenge and try something new.

What is the procedure if I am sick or hurt before pre-season begins?

You must contact the coach to discuss the situation and decide on a plan prior to the start of tryouts. If the sport has a non-reduction policy, you may be able to begin when cleared. If reductions are required, you may not be able to participate. New York State Athletics requires a minimum number of practices that must be completed before a student can participate in a scrimmage or contest.

My parents have scheduled a vacation during the tryout. What is the procedure?

Do not plan your summer vacation after August 18. While coaches understand the importance of a family vacation, they also have obligations that must be met, as required by NYS Athletics, in preparation of the first contest. If a student does not participate in the practices because of a vacation, a coach may not allow the student to try out or participate. The first game may be prior to the beginning of school. A discussion with the coach regarding conflicts as early as possible is important.

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What are the time requirements for practice sessions and contests?

For fall sports, pre-season begins in summer before the start of school. Once school begins, practices/games are held after school and on Saturdays. Practice sessions are held five or six days per week for approximately two hours each session. Summer practices may include double-sessions or extended practice times to support further development. Some sports have contests/events on the weekends or on days when school may not be in session (ex. Staff Development Day, Labor Day weekend, Columbus Day weekend, Holiday Break, Winter Break and Spring Break). Transportation will be provided by the district for away games/contests; student-athletes are expected to travel to and from the contest with their team.

What is the Greeley Sports Booster Club?

During the online Activity Registration process, you will have the opportunity to become a member of the Greeley Sports Boosters Club - the parent-support organization for all interscholastic sports in grades 7-12. Greeley Sports Boosters enriches the student-athlete experience through its capital gifts to the schools and athletics program, spirit events, social media coverage of all teams, recognition activities, team services and advocacy.

If you need further information, please visit the Athletic Website

(<https://horacegreeleyhs.rschooteams.com>) or contact the Athletic Office by phone.