



MCLA Football

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“Commit to Excellence”

Welcome to Bishop McNally/Father Lacombe Football! This letter cordially invites each student to be part of our football program. Our program provides opportunity for students to play competitive football at an elite level, and to assist our athletes in their personal development. The goal of our football program is to achieve excellence on and off the field, therefore making our program a significant full-time commitment. Our players view themselves as leaders both on and off the field, and take great pride in their athletic achievements, studies and conduct. We stress football as an important part of your high school experience; however, football is only a part of your education. We hope you accept this responsibility with **pride** and look forward to our **tradition** as we prepare for a demanding and rewarding season.

Over the past few years, Bishop McNally/Father Lacombe has developed a strong football tradition and we as a coaching staff intend to build on this success. For the 2010 season a combined Junior and Senior football team (McNally/Lacombe) will again be formed. There are no cuts at any level. Anyone who is willing to **commit** to the development of our program will be part of our team. **For a young grade 10 student entering high school, this is a great way to be a part of a team and have a significant impact within our school.**

Registration for the fall football season for all interested current grade 9 students will take place online using the Bishop McNally/Father Lacombe Football Registration, beginning February 15, 2010. Visit the Bishop McNally Website (www.bishopmcnally.com) under “Activities” then “Athletics/Football” at the top of the page click on “Online Registration”. Fill out the registration page and drop it in the appropriate mailbox and you will receive a phone call from myself or one of the Coaches, welcoming you to our program and offering further information as to when equipment draw and the first practices take place.

The 2010 Football season for all interested Jr. players will begin on June 24th, 2010 @ Father Lacombe High School, at 4 p.m., where all the necessary football equipment will be distributed for the fall season. All Jr. football players will receive a locker @ Father Lacombe where they can store their equipment in over the summer. A BBQ will also be held for all interested Jr. players and their parents, during which time they can withdraw their equipment and watch the Sr. Spring Camp. The first official practice is not until August 30, 2010 (@ 3:30 p.m.) at Father Lacombe High School. More information (season transportation, total fees, fall practice schedule) will be provided at the BBQ. A non-refundable portion of the Fees \$100.00 will be collected prior to the distribution of all equipment. All cheques can be made out to Bishop McNally High School or Father Lacombe High School. The total fee for the season will be \$185.00.

"Football is a great deal like life in that it teaches that work, sacrifice, perseverance, competitive drive, selflessness and respect for authority is the price that each and every one of us must pay to achieve any goal that is worthwhile."

Vince Lombardi (Head Coach, 1960's Green Bay Packers)

We strongly encourage kids to become involved in our program as it proves to open a lot of opportunities after completing high school. A number of our former football players are receiving a quality post secondary education while playing football with programs such as the Calgary Colts, Edmonton Huskies, Regina Thunder, University of Alberta Golden Bears, and our very own University of Calgary Dinos. The Calgary Dinos are offering a number of summer camps for kids of all ages. Further information can be found on the website at www.godinos.com.

If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us either by phone at Bishop McNally 500-2091 ext: 495 or by e-mail at derek.fink@cssd.ab.ca; rob.hendrickson@cssd.ab.ca or at Father Lacombe 500-2066 ext: 326 or by email at michaelw.macdonald@cssd.ab.ca; matthew.sauer@cssd.ab.ca .

Thanks, and I hope to see you as part of our football program

Sincerely

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