EAST VALLEY ATHLETES FOR CHRIST



Parent Meeting

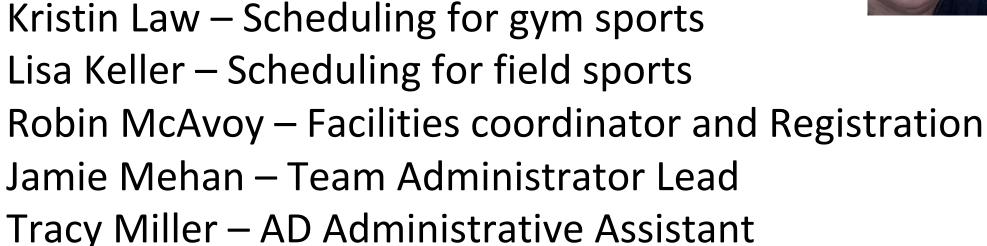
2023-2024 Fall



Welcome
Fall sports
Registration
Fees and logistics
Opportunities to serve
Q & A



Jason Fender - Athletic Director







Pat and Jamie Mehan-Board President Dan and Sharon Burke Barry and Michelle Kutz (Treasurer) Nate and Robin McAvoy James and Yvette Marker Jarrod and Joanie Foote (Secretary) Grant and Jodie Botma



Board Led Committees Team and coach management - Athletic director Finance, insurance and legal - Kutz Equipment and uniforms - Burke/Marker EVAC events, hospitality and service - Burke Basketball events (March Gladness) - Botma Facilities and Scheduling - McAvoy



Overview

East Valley Athletes for Christ (EVAC) is an association of homeschool families dedicated to exemplifying Christ while participating in athletic competition. It is the goal of EVAC to encourage the hearts and minds of the participating homeschool youth in the love and likeness of Christ.

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."



Who we are ...

- Founded over 28 years ago
- Association of homeschool families
- Non-profit organization, Volunteer run
- Member of Canyon Athletic Association (CAA)

http://www.azcaa.com (league overview)

https://azcaapreps.com (schedules, scores and standings)

≈ 200 schools (High School, Jr. High) Public charter, Parochial and Private

What we do ...

- Offer competitive opportunities
- Promote spiritual and character development
- Provide an encouraging community
- More than sports... much more!



Athletic Teams

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Fall Season

Winter Season

Spring Season

Flag football

- Varsity
- JV

Girls volleyball

- Varsity
- JV

Boys soccer

- VarsityCross Country
- Varsity Boys/Girls

Boys basketball

- Varsity
- JV

Girls basketball

- Varsity
- JV

Baseball

- Varsity
- Boys volleyball
- Varsity

Girls soccer

Varsity

Junior High Sports

Quarter 1

Quarter 2

Quarter 3

Quarter 4

Girls volleyball

• Jr. High

Co-Ed Soccer

Jr. High

Boys baseball

• Jr. High

Interest in

- Girls Flag
 Football
- Boys Volleyball

Flag football

Jr. High

Girls basketball

- Jr. High
- Elementary

Boys basketball

- Jr. High
- Elementary



Who they are...

- Volunteer coaches (head & assistant)
 - Alumni
 - **Parent**
 - Others with connection to EVAC
- Certified
 - NFHS "Fundamentals of Coaching" NFHS "First aid, Health and Safety"
- Valid fingerprint card or background check on file

- Joy Lonas Varsity Girls Volleyball
- Leah Lonas JV Girls Volleyball
- Megan Casteel JH Girls Volleyball
- Scott Malm Varsity 1 Flag Football
- Caleb Fender Varsity 2 Flag Football
- Kory Kaye JH Boys Baseball
- Jonna Lowery Cross Country
- Sean Eddy Varsity Boys Soccer
- Taylor Gallegos JH Coed Soccer



Season Timeline

- High School Regular Season Aug 21st to Oct 28th
- Junior High Regular Season Aug 14th to Sept 28th

CAA Post-Season Dates

- High School Oct 31st to Nov 11th
- Junior High Oct 2nd to Oct 7th

Tournaments

- Spike It CAA Tournament, Varsity and JH Volleyball Sept 8-9, 2023
- Volleyball Tournament, Californía Homeschool Sports, Irvine CA Nov 11, 2023



Ground Rules



Parents and fans

- Support by positive cheering
- Do not coach from the sidelines or stands
- Avoid public disagreement with coaching or refereeing
- Disparaging remarks toward other teams, their coaches or fans is unacceptable
- Post-game activities 'hanging out' (representatives of EVAC)
- Social media posts should be positive, celebrations and recognition

Coaches and athletes

- Must graciously accept all calls by referees
- Process to protest unfair play by opponents (contact athletic director)
 Maintain an attitude of humility on and off the courts and fields



CAA definition for Jr. High and High School competition

Jr. High

- Grade declaration due prior to end of 8th grade
- 5th 8th grade students eligible to participate on Jr. High team (varies with sport)
- Age limit <15 years old by Sept. 1

Transferring to EVAC

10th - 12th grade requires notification
prior to August 1st or Sit Out half season

High school

Age limit < 19 years old by Sept. 1

9th – 12th grade eligible to participate (12th on V only) Maximum participation rule – "opportunity clock"

- Begins in 9th grade
- Consecutive and uninterrupted time
- 8 semesters of eligibility (i.e., fall semester/spring semester)
- 4 seasons of participation (i.e., 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th) All 7th and 8th graders must appeal to CAA to play HS



Where to find information?



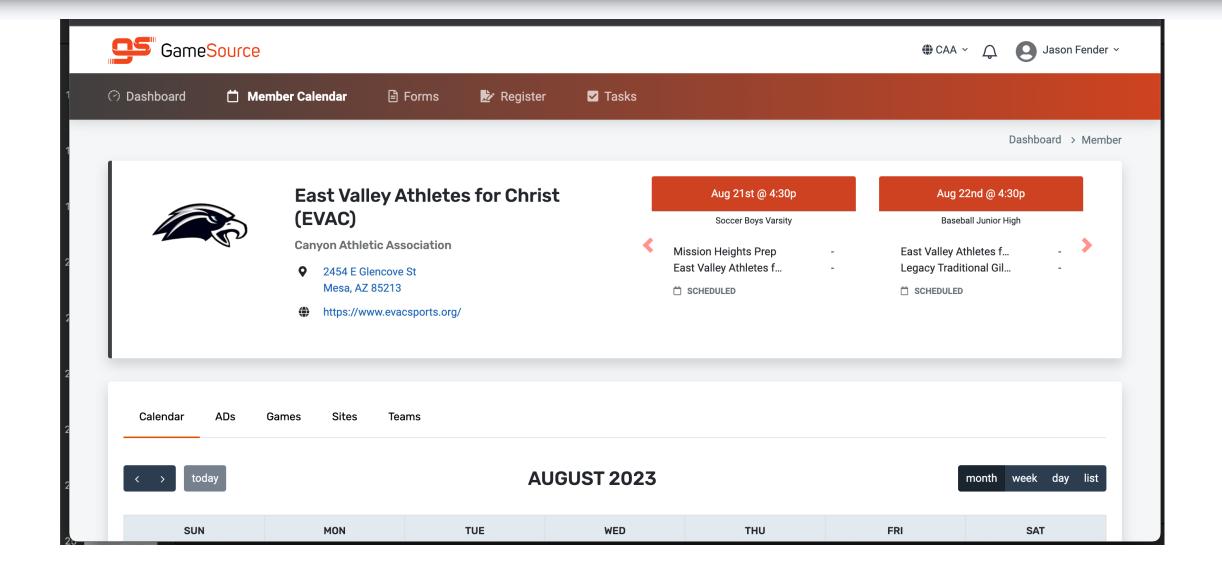
Sports management software

- Required of CAA members
- Automation and integration
- Scheduling of officials, contests... much more

Tools for parents

- View calendar
- Single source for game and practice schedule
- Access your team roster
- Complete registration paperwork
- Platform for internal communication to registered athletes
- Pay fees for season







- Coach communication
- Team administration tool
- Changes to games
- Any edits generate an automated notification

Baseball Varsity Game Changed

Apr 19th 6-8p

Site changed from: Tempe Diablo to Red Mountain Baseball Complex

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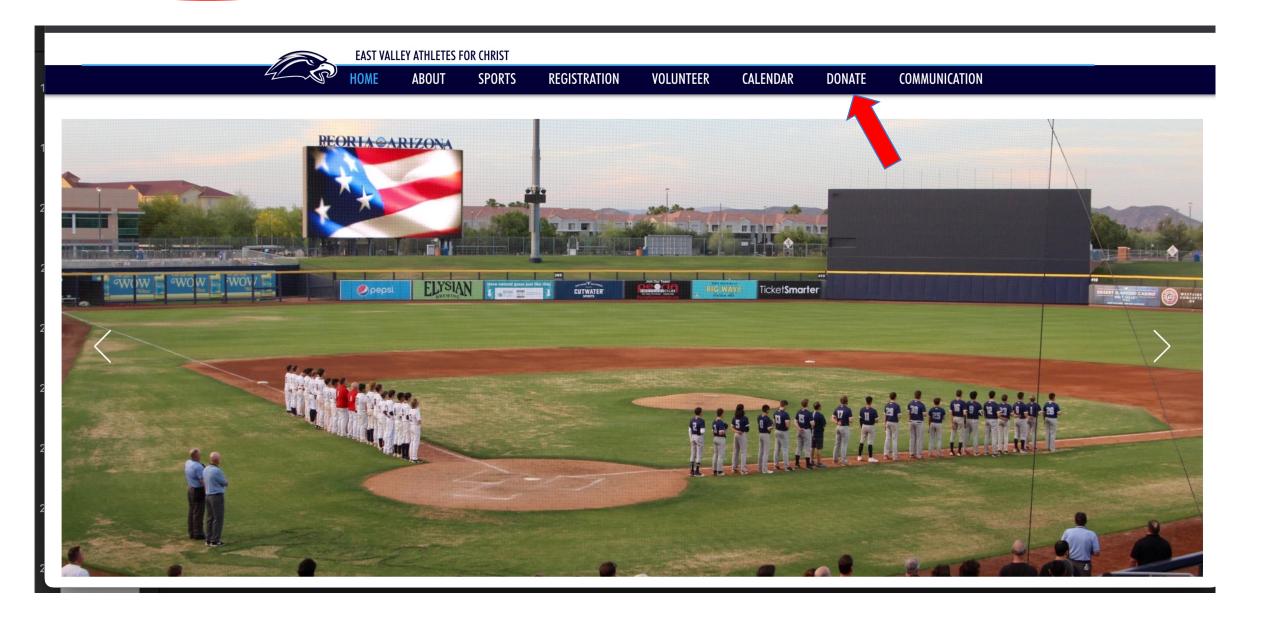
A Imagine at Coolidge

Red Mountain Baseball Complex

8008 E Brown Rd

Mesa, AZ 85207







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HOME

ABOUT

SPORTS

REGISTRATION

VOLUNTEER

CALENDAR

DONATE

COMMUNICATION

		<	August 2023	>		Today
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E-BLAST

If you would like to receive email updates from EVAC Athletics or view previous communications, click the respective links below.

E-BLAST SIGN UP

E-BLAST ARCHIVE

- Operation Christmas Child Packing Party Reminder (November 4, 2021)
- Varsity Girls Volleyball Is Going To State! (October 31, 2021)
- Junior High Winter Sports Details (October 29, 2021)
- Girls Varsity Volleyball Playoffs (October 29, 2021)
- Varsity Girls Volleyball Playoff Info (October 27, 2021)
- Operation Christmas Child Service Project Details (October 23, 2021)
- Varsity Blue Boys Flag Football State Tournament TODAY!
 (October 23, 2021)
- High School Boys Basketball Tryouts (October 19, 2021)
- High School Girls Basketball Tryouts (October 19, 2021)
- <u>UPDATED LOCATION Operation Christmas Child Service</u>
 <u>Project</u> (October 19, 2021)
- Operation Christmas Child Service Project (October 18, 2021)
- <u>Flag Football Senior Night Tonight</u> (October 15, 2021)
- Varsity Girls Volleyball Senior Night! (October 12, 2021)
- Soccer Senior Night Tonight! (October 11, 2021)
- High School Girls Basketball Tryouts (October 9, 2021)

EVAC NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive updates...
Please add newsletter@evacsports.org
to your address book or safe senders list
to avoid our mailings being marked as
SPAM.

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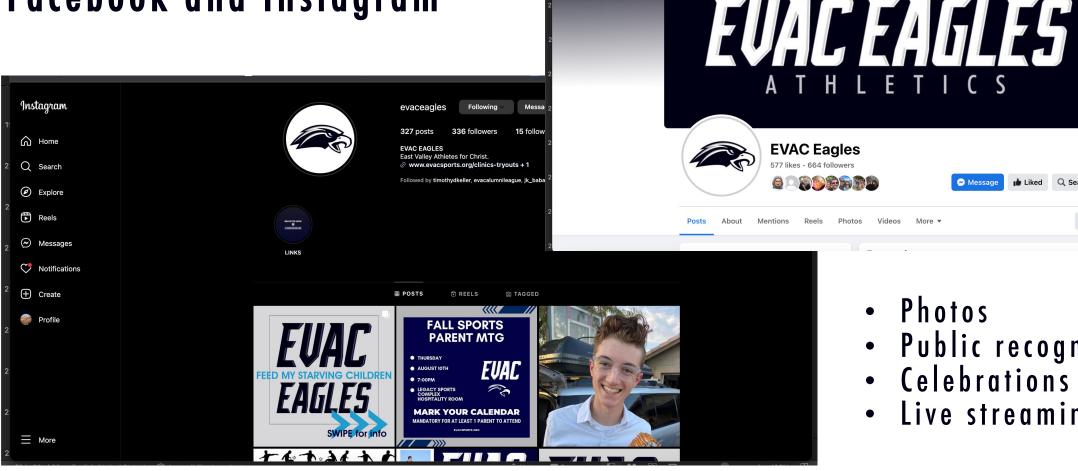
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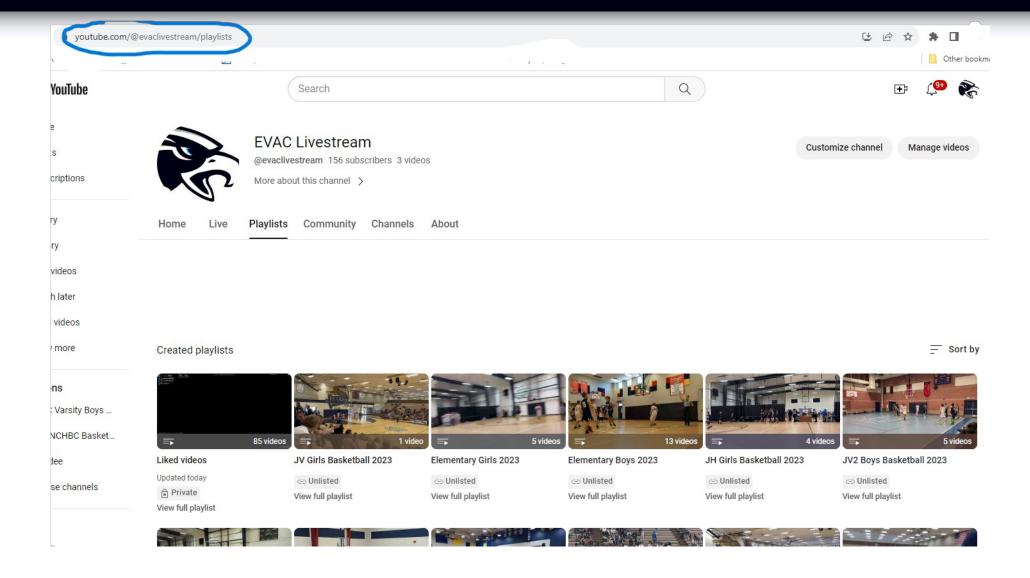


Q Search Facebook

- - Photos
 - Public recognition
 - Celebrations
 - Live streaming events



YouTube Livestream





Fees and Logistics



Fees and direct expenses

- CAA league fees
- Gym and field rentals
- Operational overhead
- Insurance

ESA - EVAC is not a vendor, Current policy under Board review for providing Attestation Form for reimbursement

Income and donations

- Fees paid through GameSource
 Welcome tax-deductible donations
- Examples: travel costs, warm-ups, and equipment
- Fund raising events
- Donate on website



Jersey - EVAC owned

- Return at end of season
- Jersey athlete owned
- Name and number on back
- Reversable (home/away)
 Shorts -purchase as directed by team

Player will <u>keep</u> athlete owned uniform throughout high school years Care and maintenance is <u>your</u> responsibility



Practice locations

- Legacy Sports USA "Bell Bank Park" (Mesa)
- Fields in East Valley

Home games

Legacy Sports USA "Bell Bank Park" (Mesa)

Practice frequency

- Reasonable schedule varies (2-5 times per week)
- Wednesday nights are typically not scheduled

WAYS TO HELP

Financial

- Amazon Smile rewards program
- Donations tax exempt certificate
- Specific team donations or fundraiser
- Scholarship fund contributions

Volunteers and involvement

- Serve on a committee
- Game official scorebook, line judge, clock, etc
- Carpool organizers
- "Team administrator" team administrator committee
- Photography—sports action for website and end of year slideshow
- Build community, friendships and relationships

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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