## **Darwin School**

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On behalf of Darwin School and the Physical Education staff, we would like to welcome our student athletes and parents to participate in the upcoming 2023-2024 sports season. The Louis Riel School Division offers a variety of sports for the Grade 7 and 8 students throughout the school year, including:

September - October
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December - March
March - April
May - June

Cross-Country
Volleyball
Basketball
Badminton
Track and Field
Ultimate Frisbee

We strongly encourage all students to participate in a variety of sports offered throughout the year. Due to our large number of teams and participants, we will be asking our student athletes to pay a one-time yearly fee of \$40.00 (regardless of the number of school sports they will be playing) to repair and buy new equipment for interscholastic programming and support our year end athletic luncheon.

Each player will be provided a numbered Darwin School athletic t-shirt that can be used for all sports during their time in Grade 7&8.

The payment can be made in cash, cheque or paid on your school account online.

If your child received a numbered Darwin School athletic t-shirt last year, the fee is \$20.00 for 2023-2024. If they have lost their jersey and need a replacement, then full payment of \$40.00 is required.

**Our Beliefs:** We believe that extra-curricular athletics are an integral part of a student's experience in middle school. Our student athletic program offers an opportunity for students to represent Darwin School while enjoying time with their peers, improving their athletic ability, and practicing good sportsmanship. We encourage all students to get involved in the variety of sports teams offered throughout the school year.

**Our Expectations:** Our most important expectation around involvement in extra-curricular athletics is that our student athletes are "students first". Our expectation is that our student athletes attend classes regularly and are in strong academic standing in all their courses. Failure to do so will result in limited opportunity to take part in our extra-curricular athletic program.

All athletic fees must be submitted as soon as possible. If there is a financial concern, please contact Mr. Kelly directly to make arrangements. Mr. Kelly can be reached at (204) 792-4813 (Cell) by e-mail at nicholas.kelly@lrsd.net or at the school in person.

Sincerely,

Scott Church Physical Education Specialist