June 26, 2014



Parents of Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball Players/Managers,

Congratulations, your daughter will be representing TSD Volleyball team for this coming fall season. My name is RJ Kaufman, Head Coach for the Varsity Team. Brooke Sipek will be serving as the JV Head Coach and Varsity Assistant Coach. We look forward to working with your daughter & managers this fall!

The volleyball camp check-in date for ALL Varsity, JV girls and managers will be on Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. The camp will run until August 23rd. We will have JV and Varsity Tournament during the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at Waldorf School in Austin. Day students may go home after the Waldorf Tournament.

**ATHLETES:** There is a \$70 fee for each player to cover your daughter's 2 practice t-shirts, kneepads, socks and practice black shorts\*. (\*Players are required to use black shorts for practice. If you have a pair of black shorts and do not wish to purchase another pair then deduct \$20 from the total cost, which would be \$50.)

I strongly encourage your daughter to purchase the active-ankle brace to reduce the chance of sprained ankles. I have found a discounted price online for the active-ankle brace at \$26 for a pair. http://www.mizunousa.com/volleyball/catalog/accessories/ankle-braces (Active-ankle brace: sizing: X-small -7-8" small - 8-9" medium - 9-10" large - 10-11". Please measure the circumference of the ankle 1" above the anklebone for proper fit.)

If you intend to purchase volleyball shoes for your daughter, I am asking that you purchase either the navy blue or black pair of shoes, please. Asics or Mizuno has the best volleyball shoes and can be found at your local sporting goods store (Sports Authority or Dick's).

MANAGERS: There is a \$20 fee for 2 practice t-shirts.

PLEASE make the payment and send me an email of your daughter's shirt/shorts size by July 2<sup>nd</sup> so I can place an order and have them ready by August 10<sup>th</sup>. Those things will be for your daughter to keep after the season. Please make the check or money order payable to TSD Athletics and mail it to: Texas School for the Deaf, ATTN: Athletic Department, 1102 South Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78704.

It is imperative to have your child's physical check up completed by their doctor before August 1<sup>st</sup>. This will prevent any delay of your child's valuable practice time at camp.

I can be contacted at tsdvvb@tsd.stat.tx.us for any questions you may have.

Thank you and have a great summer!

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