



# Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School

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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

As you know, earlier this month, Monty Tech student-athletes returned to our gymnasiums and ice rinks with the launch of our winter sports season. The decision to allow for our boys' and girls' basketball and hockey teams to compete came about after extensive research by Dave Reid, our Athletic Director, and deep conversations involving our coaches, parents, students and representatives from our area high schools. As a result of these discussions, we felt confident that the necessary mitigation steps were in place to allow our students to compete. With half of this shortened winter season already completed, we are pleased with the results.

Now, we look forward to preparing for the next sports season which typically would be the spring season. However, due to an opportunity created by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) the next scheduled season is the Fall II season which will occur from the end of February to April 23rd. This season was created to allow school districts, who were concerned with the immediate start of sports in the fall, to delay their season until February. With the overall success of the winter season, Monty Tech is now confident that we should provide an opportunity to our fall athletes to compete.

The Fall II season for Monty Tech will tentatively include the following sports:

- Football
- Boys and Girls Soccer
- Field Hockey
- Girls Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Indoor Track & Field

In order to participate, students and families will need to complete our online registration process which is on the Monty Tech homepage ([www.montytech.net](http://www.montytech.net)) under Fall II Sports Sign-Ups. It is important for students to use their full first and last name and your school email address.

Registration will be open from January 28<sup>th</sup> until February 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, please sign up as soon as possible so that we can get a sense of student interest.

All student-athletes will be required to have an updated physical turned in before they can practice. It must be an in-person physical exam within the last 13 months. All other paperwork must be turned in as well. If you have any questions, you can contact Mr. Reid at [reid@montytech.net](mailto:reid@montytech.net).

All Remote Learning Only families are reminded that students on RLO are ineligible to participate in MIAA activities. If you are interested in returning to hybrid learning when Quarter 3 begins on February 8<sup>th</sup>, then please contact Mrs. Robertson at [Robertson-noemi@montytech.net](mailto:Robertson-noemi@montytech.net).

In addition, here is a list of all of the paperwork that must be completed in order to participate. All the forms are on our webpage under "Athletics." Forms are also available on the table outside of the Athletic Director's Office.

- Student/Parental Agreement Form
- Clearance for Practice Form/Card
- Opiate Use/Misuse Form
- Head Injury/Concussion Disclosure Form

If you played a sport this winter, you only need the Head Injury/Concussion Disclosure Form. Lastly, the athlete and one parent or guardian must take and submit the Concussion Course Certificates. Here is the procedure to follow:

#### **CONCUSSION COURSES SIGN – IN PROCEDURE**

1. **GO TO: www.montytech.net**
2. **CLICK ON: "Athletics" at top of the page**
3. **AT BOTTOM OF PAGE – CLICK BOX MARKED "CONCUSSION COURSES"**
4. **ON THIS NFHS WEBSITE, CLICK ONE OF THE TWO CONCUSSION COURSES:**
  - a. **One for students – "Concussion for Students"**
  - b. **One for parents – "Concussions in Sports"**
5. **USE STUDENT'S USER NAME AND PASSWORD FOR BOTH STUDENT AND PARENT SIGN-IN. IF YOU ARE A NEW STUDENT YOU WILL HAVE TO REGISTER. YOUR USER NAME AND PASSWORD ARE GOOD UNTIL YOU GRADUATE. REMEMBER IT!!!**
6. **ONCE YOU FINISH THE COURSE, DOWNLOAD THE CERTIFICATES. BOTH CERTIFICATES WILL HAVE YOUR NAME ON IT WITH A DIFFERENT TITLE FOR STUDENT AND PARENT.**

In conclusion, as we continue through this challenging year, it is undeniable that this has been one of difficulty, frustration and changes due to COVID – 19. A lot of things we used to take for granted, have not been available due to this virus. Monty Tech is striving to provide some sense of normalcy by participating in this Fall II season. However, in doing so, it is essential that parents, players and coaches remember that the completion of a full season truly depends on their actions. What you do outside of school and your sport could impact the continuation of your season, or even cancellation of your team's season. As always, please continue to follow the district's mitigation steps of avoiding large gatherings; wearing a mask; washing or sanitizing your hands frequently; and communicating with our Lead Nurse, Mrs. Reppucci, whenever a student develops symptoms or is diagnosed positive with the virus.

Again, we are hopeful for a successful Fall II season and we appreciate your efforts to complete the registration process, following the instructions above, as soon as you can.

Be well!



Tom Browne  
Principal