

To all SPMA Gator Family and Friends,

The SPMA Gators Athletic program is off and running and though August was a great month with lots of beginnings, we look forward to carrying all of that momentum into September! Our cross country team ran in their first meet at the Pinckney Colony Race Site on August 29th and turned in a great run. September will see our runners compete in four more meets and they will all look to improve on their impressive times to prepare for the championship in October.

An incredible appreciation not only to our Gator runners, but to coaches John Dogger and Priscilla Barton for their hard work and dedication to the program and to the student-athletes. Another appreciation goes out to our families! Of course, none of this would be possible without the constant and unconditional support of the parents who wake up early to bring the runners to practice and to all the fans who came out to the meet to cheer on the Gators! Thank you all!

As our cross country team approaches the midpoint of their season, that means the winter basketball season is just around the corner. Time sure flies! The basketball schedule for both boys and girls teams are beginning to take shape with more practices and games. Positive things are on the horizon! This year, the interscholastic basketball teams will be open to only 4th grade and older. If you have not signed up, please send us an email to do so so we can include you on our contact list for updates.

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We will also be beginning our after school club and intramural program in two weeks with volleyball kicking us off. The volleyball club and intramural program will be open to students 4th grade and older. There will be eight sessions and all will be held on Tuesdays at 3:15. The volleyball dates are as follows: 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23 and 10/30. If you'd like to sign up, please return the registration form with the fee.

The SPMA Gators have more exciting news with the release of our Gators Athletics website! The website, <a href="https://www.seapinesgators.com">www.seapinesgators.com</a>, is where you can find up-to-date information on the schedule, any changes or updates, important forms, coaches, and notes from the Athletic Director.

Not only do we have a website, but we now have an Instagram account! You can follow us **@spmaathletics** for anything and everything SPMA athletics! We will use this platform to showcase the hard work of our student-athletes and for other pertinent news!

Lastly, it's time to load up on Gator gear! The online clothing store is now LIVE and OPEN and will remain open until September 14 at 1:00pm. Don't wait until it's too late to get your orders in! Follow this link to make your purchases: <a href="https://spmagators1819.itemorder.com/sale">https://spmagators1819.itemorder.com/sale</a>.