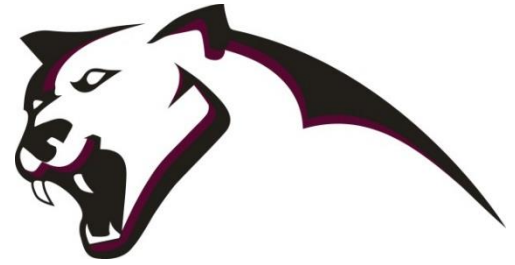


CONCORDIA ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



Dear Parents/Guardians and Cougar Athletes,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 Athletic Year! As I look forward to this year, I am inspired by the **PRIDE** of past accomplishments, the **OPPORTUNITIES** for future involvement and **BENEFITS** of being a Cougar Athlete!

COUGAR PRIDE... We want to congratulate our Girls Volleyball team for reaching the League playoffs last year.

OPPORTUNITIES... Our students have amazing **opportunities** here at Concordia! Even as a small school we are able to field a variety of sports. Every student has the opportunity to participate in multiple sports – in fact **94% of our Junior High students were involved in one or more sports last year.**

BENEFITS...

PERSONALLY... Recent studies have indicated that in addition to the benefit of *staying healthy*, team sports participation *increases focus* and *discipline* both inside and outside the classroom. Participation also *relieves stress* and *increases mental health!*

AS A PART OF THE TEAM... Your Cougar Athlete will be trained by skilled and committed *coaches*, whose character has been recognized by their peers! Your athlete will also benefit by being part of a team, while *creating lasting friendships* and gaining the *ability to work with others* toward a common goal!

BECOMING A COUGAR ATHLETE...

Please join me in encouraging your student to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities and benefits provided by the Athletic Department this year! *It is never too soon nor too late to begin! No matter what your proficiency, there is a place for you on a Concordia team.* Get started by picking up the “Becoming a Cougar Athlete” Package.

Looking forward to another great year! Go Cougars!

Terry Shipp
Athletic Director
Concordia Schools
terry.shipp@concordiaschoolsla.org