

The St. James the Greater Athletic Association has a long tradition of success in athletics. Our association is made up of five elected positions, the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Purchaser. We also have the appointed positions of Soccer Director, Volleyball Director, Basketball Director, Baseball Director, Uniform Director and Parish Council Liaison.

Our meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month (August – May) at 7pm in the St. James the Greater Meeting Room.

We offer a variety of sports.

**SOCCER** is offered for both boys and girls beginning at 4 years old\* all the way to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**VOLLEYBALL** is offered for both boys and girls beginning in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**BASKETBALL** is available for Kindergarten to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade for both boys and girls.

**T-BALL** begins at 4 years old\* and ends at 2<sup>nd</sup> grade for both boys and girls.

**SOFTBALL** is for girls only from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**BASEBALL** is for boys only from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

\*Athletes must be four years old by July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the academic year.

In the event that there are sufficient number of athletes to form more than one team, the Coaches and Director of the sport, will determine the division of the teams.

In the event that there are an insufficient number of athletes to form a team, the Director of the sport will attempt to combine grade levels, bring in players from another parish, or place our athletes with a different parish's team.

St. James the Greater is a member of the Archdiocesan CYC Athletic Association and the eligibility of all our athletes is based upon CYC regulations.

Teams are designated by the Director as "OPEN" or "CLOSED". Players on open teams participate in the same sport during the season for another team. Players on closed teams do not play for another team in the same sport during the season

Registration for each sport will take place during times designated by the Director of such sport. The dates will be posted on the School web site as well as in the church bulletin. The registration form will be available from the Director, the coaches, and on the web site. The registration fees will be listed on the registration form.

Coaches are selected by the Director of the sport and must complete the following...

1. Coaches must have a current criminal background check on file at the Rectory.
2. Attend Coaching Concepts class.
3. Attend Protecting God's Children class.

When a grievance develops between any two parties, the first step is to try to resolve at the level where the conflict began. If the problem cannot be solved at this level, the respective Sport Director should meet with the parties. The Athletic Association's goal is to resolve all conflicts in a Christian manner.

Uniforms are purchased by each athlete. The Athletic Association and coaches attempt to make as few uniform changes as possible so that an athlete may be able to wear his/her uniform for multiple seasons.

St. James the Greater Athletic Association sponsors many tournaments throughout basketball season. These tournaments are part of our budget. It is expected that every parent of an athlete at St. James the Greater will work in various positions as requested by Coaches and Directors.

Your support will help maintain our successful program.