

Sports Update 2/13/17 through 2/26/17

The winter or pre-spring as the weather has been of lately is ending in the next few weeks and it will be one to remember for our Blue Jays. By the time the calendar turns to March and the sun is shining hopefully many of our teams will still be competing.

Girls Basketball

Our girls basketball team wrapped up their regular season this past Saturday on Senior Day. The girls won to cap off the celebration of our 3 seniors; Katie Rago, Ashley Totani and Kaitlyn Totani. These girls have won the ITCL-Blue Tier for the second year in a row. The girls finished the regular season with a record of 19-3 and are currently ranked 9th in the Associated Press State Poll in Division 4. The girls varsity team will open the OHSAA State Girls Basketball Tournament on February 25th at Jackson-Milton High School at 1: 00 PM against the winner of the Southern Local and Wellsville game. This event is not a home game and is run by the state, so no passes of any sort that are issued by Jackson-Milton will be honored. This includes **NO** senior citizen passes; no ITCL passes or any other pass sold by the Athletic Department. From there the girls will travel to Mineral Ridge HS for district week and hopefully a return trip to Massillon Jackson for regional competition. The girls junior varsity team capped off a perfect regular season this past Thursday and the future is bright for the Lady Jays. The 7th grade basketball team will open up the ITCL girls basketball tournament on Tuesday of this week and look to advance deep into this tournament. The bracket is posted on the website. Our 8th grade girls were defeated in the opening round of the ITCL tournament. This group has gotten better all season and will join the high school this summer to start getting ready for their season in the next coming months.

Boys Basketball

Our boys basketball team has been busy the last few weeks. On February the 7th, the team played the second ranked team in the state, McDonald and Armstrong Channel 20 taped the game which is still being broadcasted on their channel. It was a packed house for, "Beach Night," and the crowd was supportive of our boys all night. The student-section was packed as all students in grades K-12 were granted free admission. Look out for scenes of this night in a commercial coming soon. The boys team will finish off their season at Mineral Ridge this Friday and then host Springfield on the 24th for senior night where we will honor our 4 seniors. The boys will kick off the OHSAA state tournament at Southern Local on the 28th at Southern Local starting at 7:00 PM. The junior varsity team has been playing hard all season and has 2 games left on the schedule. The 7th grade team will kick off the ITCL tournament on 2/13/17 at McDonald starting at 5:00 PM. The 8th grade team will also kick off their push for a league tournament championship at Crestview starting at 6:15 PM on 2/13/17 as well.

Wrestling

Our wrestlers are hard at work getting ready or the OHSAA wrestling tournament that will start on the 25th of this month. This is a one day sectional with our wrestlers hoping to finish in the top 4 of their bracket to advance to the next level of the state tournament. Our wrestlers recently competed in the EOWL tournament and Anthony Pizzuto finished in 6th place in his weight class. The varsity wrestlers will also be going to Jefferson High School this week on Wednesday the 15th to wrestle. The junior varsity will travel on Saturday to wrap up their season and compete in the EOWL JV Tournament at Pymatuning Valley High School starting at 9:00 AM.

Our middle school wrestlers recently completed their season at the EOWL Middle School Tournament at Liberty High School. Aaren Landis, Jake Gross and Sastino Lewis all won a match and all of the wrestlers made it to the second day of competition which is an accomplishment to close out the year.

Yours in Sports,

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