



2021 - 2022



Lopez Panther Boys' Basketball

Basketball season is almost here! But..... there are some things we need to go over before we can play!

Required Paperwork

Each player must have a physical examination, medical history and NEISD Athletic Participation Packet filled out and on file with the coaches before **Monday, November 1**. The physical and paperwork is valid for one calendar year. Players who are in athletics should be current with their paperwork and **DO NOT need to turn in duplicate paperwork.**

NEISD Athletic Participation Packet can be found online on Coach Kilpatrick's webpage. (Link below)

www.lopezboysathletics.weebly.com

The participation form is online ONLY.

You can print off a medical history and physical form from the link if needed.

Equipment

LOPEZ MS will supply game jerseys for players on the days they play in games.

Required Items:

- LP athletic shorts (\$15) or PE shorts (\$10, if in PE)
 - Game day socks (\$10)
- TEAMme Game day shirt (\$15)

Tryouts

Tryouts will be **Monday (Nov. 1), Tuesday, (Nov. 2) and Wednesday, (Nov. 3)**. Teams will be separated by **Wednesday**.

Tryouts are closed to the public.

- 7th grade tryouts will be in the morning from 6:00 am until 8:00 am.

8th GRADE TRYOUTS

Monday: 3:25 PM – 5:15 PM Tuesday and Wednesday: 3:50 - 5:30 PM

- PLAYERS SHOULD ATTEND ALL 3-DAYS!

Each grade level will have three teams: A Team, B Team and Go Team.

A and B Teams will have 10-12 players each. Nobody is cut from the program due to skill level. All other players will be placed on the **Go-Team**. All academically ineligible players will be placed on the Go-Team. Players who miss one or more days of tryouts will only be assessed on the days they are present for tryouts. Tryouts will not be extended. Players who completely miss tryouts will be placed on the Go Team and be assessed there. There is typically a small amount of movement up and down from team to team through the course of the season.

GO Team

The Go-Team is a developmental squad. They only practice **TWICE** a week. Due to the large number of players, the GO Team players will suit up for games on a rotating schedule (20 kids per game). One practice (Big Practice) will be the whole GO-Team with a big focus on skills. The other practice (Small Practice) will be with just the 20 that are playing that week with an emphasis on gameplay. To play for that week, it is required for that player to attend both practices.

Practices (Tentative, Subject to Change)

After tryouts are completed, both **7th and 8th grade A and B Teams** will practice every day, starting 11/4.

- **7th A/B** will practice before school **6:30 AM – 8:00 AM**, except Game-Days.
- **8th A/B** will practice after school starting at **3:55 PM - 5:30 PM**, except Mondays and Game-Days.
 - **Monday After School:** Practice will start at 3:25 pm to 5:00 pm
- **7th grade GO:** (Small) **LATE Tuesdays = 5:45 PM – 7:00 PM** and (Big) **EARLY Thursdays 6:30 AM – 7:45 AM**
- **8th grade GO:** (BIG) **LATE Mondays = 5:15 PM – 6:45 PM** and (Small) **LATE Tuesdays 5:45 PM – 7:00 PM**

Games

Games will be on **Wednesday**. Tip-off times are at **4:30pm (Go)**, **5:30pm (B)**, and **6:30pm (A)**.

Transportation: **All** players will take a bus to and from an away game. Upon conclusion of your child's game, we ask that they stay and support their teammates. There is strength in numbers with support away from home.

Basketball Coaches:

7th Grade

(A) Josh Ramos: jramos6@neisd.net

(B) Joe Allen: jallen1@neisd.net

(GO) Marcos Hernandez: mherna19@neisd.net

8th Grade

(A) John Pena: jpena2@neisd.net

(B) Sean Laissle: slaiss@neisd.net

(GO) John Pena: jpena2@neisd.net

Should there be any questions that come up, please do not hesitate to email me.

Thank You for your time and support.

- Coach Pena -

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