The Final Countdown

Another great season of #ntfamily elite basketball memories is just six weeks away! We are anticipating and preparing for another great year and have many announcements as the season nears. Many have been asking when schedules will come out. Please know we are in the process of finalizing times and gym space, so hold tight! You will receive an email from coaches soon with information on times, dates, and locations. We want to thank you all for your patience and support! Look for information about shoe and gear orders later in the letter.

YOU SUPPLY THE GAME, WE SUPPLY THE NAME!

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Instructions for Registration

It's not just online...

Registering is completed online, but you are not done yet! WE still need to have three hard copy forms sent to the North Tartan office. The three important forms:

1. Copy of Birth Certificate

2. AAU Card*

3. Front and Back of **Insurance Card.** There is a specific form that was sent to you in the Welcome letter. If you did not get a welcome letter, check your spam mail.

Any questions please contact Lynelle Peterson. Lynelle is presently in the office Mondays and Thursdays. She does answer emails throughout the week.

Email: lynelle.peterson@yahoo.com

Cell: 651-233-7134

*AAU AAU AAU AAU AAU AAU CARD

Parents make sure to sign up for your daughter's AAU card. This card is essential to cover any incidents / injuries that may occur during the AAU season. You will need to enter the North Tartan club code:

WW3A9E. The code is essential to link your child with our club and the extra insurance that is carried in and out of state. Also, (and this is a must) make sure to pay the extra \$2 coverage. The extra \$2 will cover athletes at all tournaments whether they are AAU sanctioned or not.

Nike Order Forms

Please go to this link for the shoe and sock order form:

http://team-

<u>shop.lidsteamsports.com/form/show/</u>
NORTHTARTANWBB14

***Please Note the order form incorrectly says the final date to order is Feb. 10th. If you follow the link to the online order forms, you will see that this order form is open until Feb. 24th. We do not replace or reorder shoes that fit incorrectly. Try a similar pair somewhere and make sure you correctly order women's or men's sizes and the correct shoe you would like. If there is a defect, we can assist with that process. Also know that we will be putting together an order form for North Tartan gear in the near future. Look for information in our next newsletter, online, or through an email from your coach.

With a Bounce,

North Tartan.

Attention 14U, 15U & Nike Elite Parents!

The first tournament of the season will be here before you know it. We are excited to kick off our season at the Boo Williams Tournament in Virginia. Make sure that all of you who are attending have your hotel booked before the window closes. North Tartan is given a block of rooms because of our Nike status, and long-time tradition of attending this highly prestigious tournament. We are not able to do anything for you if you do not secure a room from this block after the booking dates. The hotel is not only giving us a great deal, but it is helpful for coaches for all girls on the team to be in the same hotel so they can arrange rides to the game and make meeting times and places easier. If you have any questions, please look for information on our website or contact your head coach.

Thanks!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPECIAL EVENT

FIRST PRACTICE!

45 DAYS AWAY

DATE: SATURDAY MARCH 29

SPECIAL EVENT

SECTION TOURNAMENTS

DATE: FEBRUARY 25- MARCH 14

GOOD LUCK!

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF OUR NORTH TARTAN PLAYERS COMPETING IN SECTION TOURNAMENTS GOOD LUCK! PLAY HARD AND REPRESENT NORTH TARTAN WELL!

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER ...

OVER 1300 ALUMNI, ATHLETES, COACHES, FAMILIES, AND THE BASKETBALL WORLD ARE FOLLOWING US TO DATE!

Janning Continues to Dominate

It was no surprise when Janning took her successful ways to the next level at Creighton University. She had an outstanding freshman campaign where she led the team in scoring, received Freshman All-American honors and was the first Creighton freshman to earn All-**MVC First Team honors. Her sophomore** season is proving to be just as successful. She recently received BIG **EAST WBB Player of the Week honors** after a 23-point, eight assist and 3 rebounds effort vs. Marquette. Her efforts continued as she poured in a career high 38 points, tying a arena record as she helped lead the BlueJays to a win over Georgetown. We would like to congratulate Marissa on her accomplishments and wish her luck in the rest of her sophomore season! Go BlueJays!

Marissa Janning drives to the basket and converts on a lay-up





Coaches Corner

Getting to know Jake Kuppe

Q: How long have you been with NT?

A: 8 years

Q: Why should players choose North Tartan?

A: Because it gets you ready to play high school basketball at the highest level, allows you to play with other incredible basketball players and it's the closest thing to playing college basketball. If you are a high school basketball player that has dreams to play Division I Basketball, North Tartan is the closest thing to it. You will also get incredible coaching at all levels.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WITH MATT STUFFER

Q: I'M STILL NOT SURE WHERE TO SEND ALL OF MY PAPERWORK BEFORE OUR FIRST PRACTICE. WHERE DO PARENTS/PLAYERS SEND THAT INFORMATION?

A: ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS YOU NEED TO FILL OUT ARE ON OUR WEBSITE HOME PAGE, RIGHT SIDE, DOWN AWAYS UNDER DOCUMENTS AND FORMS. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL DOCUMENTS ARE FULLY FILLED OUT AND MAILED TO LYNELLE AT:

6230 10[™] STREET NORTH, SUITE 320A,

OAKDALE, MN 55128

Q: Describe your ideal basketball player?

A: They have to be able to defend, pass the ball, play extremely hard and have a good knowledge of the game.

Q: What's your favorite thing about coaching basketball?

A: Teaching kids and seeing their improvements on the court and in practice.

Q: What's something people might not know about you?

A: I was in training camp with the Tennessee Titans

Q: What is your favorite North Tartan Tradition?

A: It's sitting on other coach's benches and supporting other teams.

Inside scoop: Jake Kuppe is the head girl's basketball coach at Champlin Park High School. Jake has been a fundamental part in helping our youth program grow over the years. He has had much success at the AAU National tournaments. This summer he will coach the 15U team for North Tartan.

Q: WHERE SHOULD FAMILIES SEND ANINDIVIDUAL PICTURE FOR THE WEBSITE OF THEIR DAUGHTER TO?

A: SEND PICTURES TO

NORTHTARTANREGISTRATION@HOTMAIL.COM

***PLEASE INCLUDE THEIR TEAM AND NAME.

Q: WILL THERE BE AN ORDER GOING OUT FOR **N**IKE SHOES AND SOCKS?

A: YES, THE ORDER IS OPEN NOW. CLICK ON "NORTH TARTAN GEAR" ON OUR HOMEPAGE AND THE LINK IS THERE. WE WILL BE OPENING A NIKE CLOTHING ORDER SOON AS WELL, STAY TUNED!

Q: How do parents make payments?

A: THEY CAN MAKE PAYMENTS RIGHT THROUGH OUR WEBSITE BY CLICKING ON "REGISTRATION PAYMENTS".

PLEASE FOLLOW THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE EMAILED TO YOU TITLED, "2014 WELCOME LETTER". THIS DOCUMENT IS ALSO ON OUR HOMEPAGE UNDER DOCUMENTS AND FORMS.

