



Masterman Athletics Update

Middle Grades

- The School District of Philadelphia (SDP) offers athletic opportunities for middle grade students (eligibility defined as grades 6th-8th)
- 91 schools are eligible to compete in the SDPs “Middle Grades Conference” (MGC)
- 13 sports are offered through the SDP. [See sports offered at each MS](#)
- 5 sports are offered at Masterman (*Golf, Co-ed Soccer, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Track & Field*)
- 20 middle schools offer more sports than Masterman.
- Only 1 school offers all 13 sports (Baldi)
- Those who offer the same or less than Masterman typically have smaller enrollment

Partner with Administration:

Goal to increase sports opportunities to align with large MS enrollment. Determine additional sports to be added (feeder to High School offerings).

High School

- SDP offers 23 sports for HS students that compete in the “Philadelphia Public League” (PPL). [See sports offered at each HS](#)
- The PPL has 73 member schools - including Charters
- Masterman offers 18 sports (*2 are “co-ops” partnering with SLA, Carver, Palumbo*)
- There is significant concern related to low turnout from our 9th grade students. Teams are at risk of elimination due to the graduation of seniors and the absence of 9th graders in several sports. [See participation thresholds](#)
- Expanded communication and welcome events for new families is essential to increasing participation
- Masterman is the only Network 1 school that offers NO information regarding sports on its school website

Partner with Administration:

Goal to improve communication to families including significant increase in information on the school’s website (as sampled in the following slides)

Class of 2023



Student-Athletes continuing athletic careers in college:

- **Calder Burke** (*X-Country/Track & Field*)
Wesleyan University
- **Oliver Dmochowski** (*Baseball*)
Wesleyan University
- **Kevin McHale** (*Tennis*)
Arcadia University
- **Victor Nordlof** (*Soccer*)
Johnson & Wales University
- **Alice Padula** (*Crew*)
Georgetown University
- **Grace Padula** (*Crew*)
Stanford University
- **Kai Rosser** (*Soccer*)
Ursinus College



Masterman Athletics Information

Athletics Leadership

Mr. Gilken

School Climate & Culture
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Mr. Otarola

Athletic Director
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Forms & Policies

Forms:

- [PIAA Sport Physical Form](#) (required to play sports)
- [Bus/Transportation Form](#) (for game transportation)

Policies:

- Athletics Policy – [Board of Education](#)
- Athletics Policy – [Philadelphia Public League](#)
- Athletics Policy – [PIAA State Level](#)
- [Minimum Participation Needed](#)



[Link to Masterman Logo Store](#)

League Information:

- High School = [Philadelphia Public League](#)
- PIAA State Level Information:
 - Geographic Classification = [District 12](#)
 - Enrollment Classification = [PIAA Profile - Masterman Middle School](#) = [Middle Grades Conference](#)



[Link to All Sports Calendar](#)

Coaching Information:

- [Job Description](#) - same for all sports
- [Coaching Qualifications](#)
- [Teacher's Contract](#) – Athletics specific
- Coaching Contact information – see next slides



Fall Sports at Masterman

Fall Sports

PIAA Official Start Date: August 14, 2023

Sport	Team Schedule	Team Level	Coach's Name	Coaching Level*	Contact Info.	Home Playing Site	Practice Location
Cross Country	Schedule	Varsity	Mr. Comfort	Level IV	rcomfort@philasd.org	Lemon Hill	Lemon Hill
Golf	Schedule	Varsity	Mr. O'Neill	Level IV	tmoneill@philasd.org	Walnut Lane	Walnut Lane
Golf (MS)	TBD	Middle School	Mr. Gilken	Level I	jgilken@philasd.org	Walnut Lane	Walnut Lane and Gym
Boys Soccer	Schedule	Varsity	Ms. Geiger	Level II	ngeiger@philasd.org	Gratz Supersite	Please Touch grass
Boys Soccer (JV)	Schedule	Junior Varsity	Mr. Greco	Level I	bgreco@philasd.org	Please Touch grass	Please Touch grass
Coed Soccer (MS)	TBD	Middle School	Ms. Tomlinson	Level I	ltomlinson@philasd.org	Various Supersites	Roof
Girls Soccer	Schedule	Varsity	Mr. Roache	Level IV	troache@philasd.org	Gratz Supersite	Please Touch grass
Girls Tennis	Schedule	Varsity	Ms. Tomlinson	Level I	ltomlinson@philasd.org	Mander Playground	Mander Playground
Girls Volleyball	Schedule	Varsity	Ms. Jones	Level IV	rjones4@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Girls Volleyball (JV)	Schedule	Junior Varsity	Ms. Vesci	Level IV	javecsi@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym

* **Coaching Level** determines if the coach retains their position. All coaches below a Level IV must re-apply each year to continue coaching per the teacher's contract "[bridge agreement](#)."



Winter Sports at Masterman

Winter Sports

PIAA Official Start Date: November 17, 2023

Sport	Level	Coach's Name	Coaching Level*	Contact Info.	Home Playing Site	Practice location
Boys Basketball	Varsity	Mr. Roache	Level IV	troache@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Boys Basketball (JV)	Junior Varsity	Mr. Gilken	Level I	jgilken@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym / Lloyd Hall
Boys Basketball (MS)	Middle School	Ms. Jones	Level I	rjones4@philasd.org	Lloyd Hall	Lloyd Hall
Girls Basketball	Varsity	Mr. Otarola	Level IV	votarola@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Girls Basketball	Junior Varsity	Mr. O'Neill	Level IV	tmoneill@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Girls Basketball (MS)	Middle School	Ms. Tomlinson	Level I	ltomlinson@philasd.org	Lloyd Hall	Lloyd Hall
Swimming	Varsity	Mr. Kohler	Level II	pkohler@philasd.org	Fels Pool	Broad St. YMCA
Indoor Track & Field	Varsity	Mr. Comfort	Level II	rcomfort@philasd.org	South Philly Supersite	Lemon Hill
Boys Squash	NEW	TBD	TBD	TBD	Drexel University	Drexel University
Girls Squash	NEW	TBD	TBD	TBD	Drexel University	Drexel University

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Spring Sports at Masterman

Spring Sports

PIAA Official Start Date: March 4, 2024

Sport	Level	Coach's Name	Coaching Level*	Contact Info.	Home Playing Site	Practice location
Boys Lacrosse	Varsity (Co-op)	Mr. Gilken	Level I	jgilken@philasd.org	Germantown Supersite	Mander Playground
Girls Lacrosse	Varsity (Co-op)	Mr. Soloway	SLA coach	msoloway@philasd.org	South Philly Supersite	Marconi Plaza
Boys Volleyball	Varsity	Ms. Jones	Level IV	rjones4@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Boys Volleyball (JV)	Junior Varsity	Ms. Vesci	Level IV	javecsi@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym
Track & Field	Varsity	Mr. Comfort	Level II	rcomfort@philasd.org	South Philly Supersite	Around Masterman
Track & Field (MS)	Middle School	Ms. Stanford		rstanford@philasd.org	Various Supersites	Around Masterman
Boys Baseball	Varsity	Mr. Otarola	Level IV	votarola@philasd.org	Edgeley Field	Edgeley Field
Girls Softball	Varsity	Mr. O'Neill	Level II	tmoneill@philasd.org	Edgeley Field	Edgeley Field
Boys Tennis	Varsity	TBD	TBD	TBD	Mander Playground	Mander Playground
Boys Tennis (JV)	Junior Varsity	TBD	TBD	TBD	Mander Playground	Mander Playground
Girls Badminton	N/A	Ms. Tomlinson		ltomlinson@philasd.org	Masterman Gym	Masterman Gym

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