

II. STUDENT LIFE

ATHLETICS

1. RECREATION & INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Mount St. Joseph University strives to provide programs for recreation and intercollegiate athletics that promote the character development of participants, enhance the integrity of higher education and promote civility in society. Student athletes, coaches, and all others associated with these athletics programs and events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty, and responsibility. These values should be manifested not only in athletics participation, but also in the broad spectrum of activities affecting the athletics and recreation program. The athletics and recreation program follows the federal and state regulations for gender equity as outlined in Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments and the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act.

The University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and competes in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC), the Heartland Collegiate Lacrosse Conference (HCLAC) (men and women), and the Midwest Collegiate Volleyball League (MVCL) (men). The University sponsors the following team sports: e-sports, basketball, cross-country, lacrosse, softball, soccer, track and field, wrestling, volleyball, cheerleading, dance, baseball, football, golf.

The University recreation program offers intramural leagues for co-ed basketball, flag football, soccer, volleyball, sand volleyball and other special events scheduled throughout the academic year for the University community.

Students participating in athletics and recreation are expected to follow the “Principles of Sportsmanship” and live within the principles of fair play. Discipline is a possibility from violations of these principles and codes of conduct.

2. RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND FACILITIES

The University recreational facilities (Centennial Field House, Austin E. Knowlton Fitness Center, Harrington Student Fitness Center, Harrington Student Center Gym, Jean Dowell Gym and Sports Complex/Schueler Field and Track) are available to the students and their guests at scheduled times. The facilities are primarily for the use of Mount St. Joseph students, faculty, and staff. A Mount St. Joseph University ID must be presented to use the recreational facilities. Faculty, staff, students, and Mount alumni (graduates) are required to enter through the east entrance to the Austin E. Knowlton Fitness Center and present a Mount ID at the check-in desk prior to using the facility during all hours of operation. Staff members have the authority to prohibit unidentified persons from using the facilities.

- Mount students have priority in using the recreational facilities unless the space is rented.
- Guests must be accompanied by a Mount St. Joseph University host/hostess. All guests are required to sign in at the Austin E. Knowlton front desk. Students are responsible for the behavior of their guests.
- A maximum of three (3) guests are permitted when accompanied by University students or staff.
- When hosting more than three visitors, special permission must be obtained from the Director of Athletics and Recreation.
- The University is not responsible for injury or loss to persons or their property while they are using the recreational facilities. Cost of all property damage is charged to the responsible party.

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The following facilities are available for student use:

Schueler Field Sports Complex. Located on the east end of campus, the Sports Complex contains an all-weather field surface and 400-meter running track. The track is open to the public for walking; the turf is only to be used by MSJ students, staff and alumni with MSJ ID. Please review the full Sports Complex Usage Policy online at <https://msjlions.com/sports/2021/1/26/sports-complex-usage-policy.aspx?id=497>

Harrington Student Center. Located on the west end of campus, the Harrington Student Center contains the following:

- **Gymnasium.** The gymnasium contains a large wood court for multipurpose sporting use and a 1/10 mile running/walking track. Court shoes must be worn on the gym floor. Turf shoes are not allowed.
- **Fitness Center.** The Fitness Center contains weight lifting equipment. Instruction on proper technique is available upon request. No food or drink is allowed in the weight room. ***Please review the Harrington Center Usage Policy online at:***
<https://msjlions.com/sports/2021/1/27/harrington-center-usage-policy.aspx?id=500>

Centennial Field House. Located on the west end of campus, the Centennial Field House contains the following:

- **Indoor Track/ Turf Field.** The turf field area is surrounded by a 200-meter, six-lane running/walking track.
- **Austin E. Knowlton Fitness Center.** The Fitness Center is available for use by the entire student population, faculty, staff and alumni. The Fitness center contains a full range of state-of-the-art cardio and weight lifting equipment. No food or drink is allowed in the center.
- **Indoor Tennis Court.** The Court is available on a first come first serve basis. The Courts are NOT available during athletic practices and special events held in the Field House.
- **H. James and Carol Campbell Williams Multipurpose Room.** A multi-purpose space for fitness classes and activities. ***Please review the Centennial Field House Usage Policy online at:***
https://msjlions.com/documents/2021/4/15//FieldHouse_Policy.pdf?id=489

3. EQUITY IN ATHLETICS DISCLOSURE ACT

Under the terms of the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act, the following information must be reported and made available for public access:

- Number of undergraduates by gender.
- Number of participants by gender for each varsity sport.
- Total institutional expenditures for lodging, meals, transportation, officials, uniforms, and equipment for both home and away games.
- Number of head coaches by gender, and an indication of whether the head coach is assigned to the team on a full- or part-time basis.
- Number of assistant coaches by gender and an indication of whether they are assigned to the team on a full- or part-time basis.

- Total institutional expenditures associated with recruiting for the men's and women's teams.
- Total amount of athletically related student aid awarded to men and women student athletes.
- Average annual institutional salary of the head coaches of the men's and women's teams.
- Average annual institutional salary of the assistant coaches for the men's and women's teams.

This information is available on the Mount St. Joseph Consumer web pages using the following link.

<http://www.msjeu.com/consumer-info/>

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