



Team Web Pages

Each MVYF team gets a team web page. The purpose of this team page is to facilitate communication with the team’s players and families. Some examples of what you can do with your team web site: publish team game schedule (done for you), publish team practice schedule and any other team events, share photos, put up a team logo, introduce the coaches, and create news articles (game recaps). Make it your own and have fun with it.


Overall Guidelines

- **If you do nothing else, use your team calendar.**

Your team calendar provides a one stop shop for an accurate picture of what is happening with your team. Also, since we load your team page “Game Schedule” with all your games these also show up automatically on your team calendar. This gives everyone a simple, accurate, single place to find out about everything going on with the team. Of course the rub is that it has to be kept accurate and up to date.

- Use and encourage the use of the iCal (web calendar protocol) feature of your website calendar

This feature allows you and your team to automatically sync their personal computer/smart phone calendars with your team calendar, eliminating the need for manual re-entry of team

calendar practices and games. To use, click on the  icon under your team calendar. This will give you a URL to past into your calendaring application.



Almost all modern calendaring applications support the iCal standard (Outlook, Apple iCal, Google Calendar, etc).

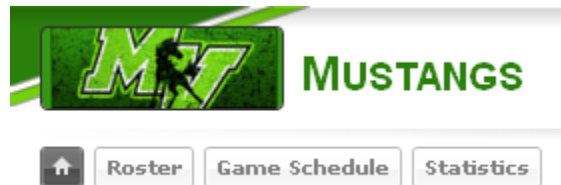
- Make your web page the one stop shop for all authoritative communications for your team.

Email is a great tool for communication as well but using it to publish game and practice schedules can be difficult for parents especially when there are changes; and there are always changes. One suggestion is send out email reminders with links to your team page.

- Our pages are public which has important implications
 - To protect your player’s privacy, don’t use full names. First name or first name and first initial of last name are good alternatives.
 - Don’t put anything that you are not comfortable with just anyone reading. An example might be your playbook or any other sensitive or private information.
 - Keep the content classy and in line with the philosophy and rules of MVYF and the leagues we participate in. Avoid criticisms of other teams, coaches or referees. Keep it clean and positive.
- Coaching can be very time consuming. If you want, find a volunteer to manage the team page.

Game Schedule

You can access your team’s game schedule from your team web page by selecting the “Game Schedule button.



The resulting view will be either a Box Score or Game List (shown) view of your team’s games.

Box Scores		Game List	
Score	Date & Time	Location	Status
- Coon Rapids - Mustangs	09/11/2011 02:30 PM	Mounds View High School	Scheduled → Quick Score
- Mustangs - Brooklyn Park	09/18/2011 04:30 PM	Centennial Middle School	Scheduled → Quick Score
- Mustangs	09/20/2011 06:30 PM	Blaine Baseball Complex	Scheduled → Quick Score

If you are logged in and in edit mode you can modify a scheduled game by selecting the “Scheduled” button or add the game score by selecting the “Quick Score” button. At this time, this will not officially report your score to the league. Please continue to also follow standard score reporting procedures.

Note that this is not the official league schedule. This just provides a simple way for us to push the schedule to you and your entire team so that everyone can find the game schedule at the same place they get all their other team information. Official league schedules/results docs or links will be provided via the “Schedules” and “Standings/Results” tabs found on the MVYF home page.