EAST VALLEY ATHLETES FOR CHRIST



Parent Meeting

2024-2025 Fall

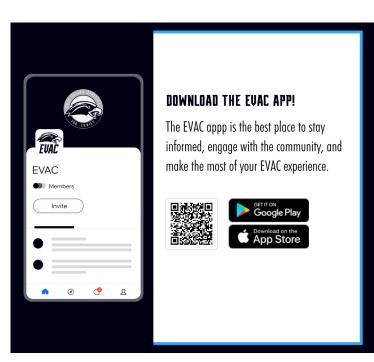


Welcome Fall sports

JH: Coed Soccer, Baseball, Girls Volleyball

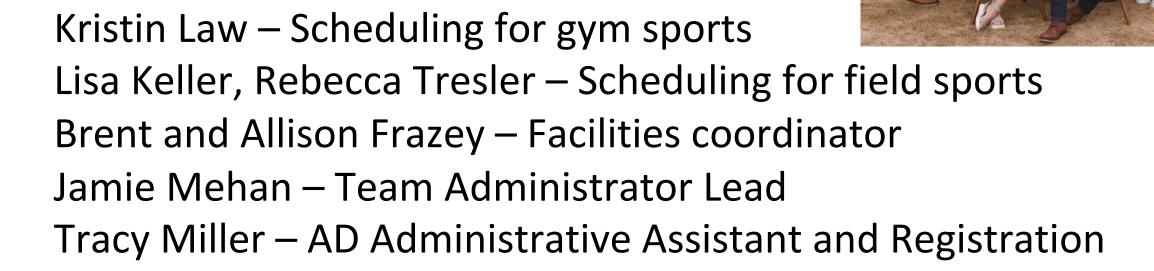
HS: V/JV Girls Volleyball, V1/V2 Flag Football, Boys Soccer

- EVAC Information
- Logistics and fees
- Opportunities to serve
- Q & A





Jason Fender - Athletic Director





Pat and Jamie Mehan-Board President Barry and Michelle Kutz (Treasurer) Brent and Allison Frazey James and Yvette Marker Jarrod and Joanie Foote (Secretary) Grant and Jodie Botma Brandon and Christine Ream Josh and Amber Lindsay

COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT

Board Led Committees Team and coach management - Athletic director Fender Finance, insurance and legal - Kutz Equipment - Foote Uniforms - Marker EVAC events, hospitality and service - Lindsay Tournament events (March Gladness, Nationals, etc) - Ream Facilities and Scheduling - Frazey Fundraising - Mehan Communication/IT - Botma



Overview



East Valley Athletes for Christ (EVAC) is an association of homeschool families dedicated to exemplifying Christ while participating in athletic competition. It is the goal of EVAC to encourage the hearts and minds of the participating homeschool youth in the love and likeness of Christ.

At EVAC, we strive to create confident and compassionate homeschool students through competitive interscholastic and homeschool athletic activities. We are a vibrant community of homeschool families from the East Valley of Arizona where the love of Christ infuses every interaction and endeavor.

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."



Who we are ...

Founded over 28 years ago

Association of homeschool families

Non-profit organization, Volunteer managed

Member of Canyon Athletic Association (CAA)

http://www.azcaa.com (league overview)

https://azcaapreps.com (schedules, scores and standings)

≈ 250 schools (High School, Jr. High) Public charter, Parochial and Private

What we do ...

- Offer competitive athletic opportunities
- Promote spiritual and character development
- Provide an encouraging community
- More than sports... much more!

https://www.evacsports.org/about



Athletic Teams

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Fall Season

Winter Season

Spring Season

Flag football

- Varsity 1 Blue
- Varsity 2 Silver
 Girls volleyball
- Varsity
- JV

Boys soccer

- VarsityCross Country
- Varsity Boys/Girls

Boys basketball

- Varsity 1 and 2
- JV 1 and 2
 Girls basketball
- Varsity
- JV

Baseball

- VarsityBoys volleyball
- Varsity
- JV

Girls soccer

Varsity

Track and Field

- Varsity Boys/Girls
- *Beach volleyball
- *Golf

Junior High Sports

Quarter 1

Quarter 2

Quarter 3

Quarter 4

Girls volleyball

Jr. High

Co-Ed Soccer

Jr. High

Boys baseball

Jr. High

Interest in

- Girls Flag
 Football
- Boys Volleyball??

Flag football

Jr. High x 2

Girls basketball

- Jr. High x 2
- Elementary

Boys basketball

- Jr. High x 2
- Elementary

Track and Field

- Boys and Girls
- *Golf



Who they are...

- Volunteer coaches (head & assistant)
 - Alumni
 - **Parent**
 - Others with connection to EVAC
- Certified
 - NFHS "Fundamentals of Coaching" NFHS "First aid, Health and Safety"
- Valid fingerprint card or background check on file

- Joy Lonas Varsity Girls Volleyball
- Kaitlyn Barbour JV Girls Volleyball
- Tess Eddy JH Girls Volleyball
- Scott Malm Varsity 1 Flag Football
- Keith Miller Varsity 2 Flag Football
- Gabe Trevizo JH Boys Baseball
- Jonna Lowery Cross Country
- Sean Eddy Varsity Boys Soccer
- Kevin Hay JH Coed Soccer



https://www.evacsports.org/caa202420205schedule

Season Timeline

- High School Regular Season Aug 21st to Oct 26th
- Junior High Regular Season Aug 14th to Sept 26th

CAA Post-Season Dates

- High School Oct 31st to Nov 9th
- Junior High Sept 30th to Oct 5th

Tournaments

- Spike It CAA Tournament, Varsity and JH Volleyball Sept 13-14, 2024
- Volleyball Tournament, California Homeschool Sports, Irvine CA Nov 9, 2024
- https://californiahomeschoolsports.com/volleyball-tournament



Ground Rules



Parents and fans

- Support by positive cheering
- Do not coach from the sidelines or stands
- Avoid public disagreement with coaching or refereeing
- Disparaging remarks toward other teams, their coaches or fans is unacceptable
- Post-game activities 'hanging out' (representatives of EVAC)
- Social media posts should be positive, celebrations and recognition

Coaches and athletes

- Must graciously accept all calls by referees
- Process to protest unfair play by opponents (contact athletic director)
- Maintain an attitude of humility on and off the courts and fields
- All that is said and done For His Glory



Coaches and athletes and parents

- CAA focused on sportsmanship this year
- Treat the referees with respect
- Ejection from a game = 1 game suspension
- Must complete NFHS Sportsmanship online course certificate to return
- 2nd ejection = suspension remainder of season
- No appeals

EVAC focused on our code of conduct, emphasis on bad language

- Meeting with coach, parents, sport coordinator, AD
- Warning
 1 game suspension
 Board review, possible season suspension



Where to find information?



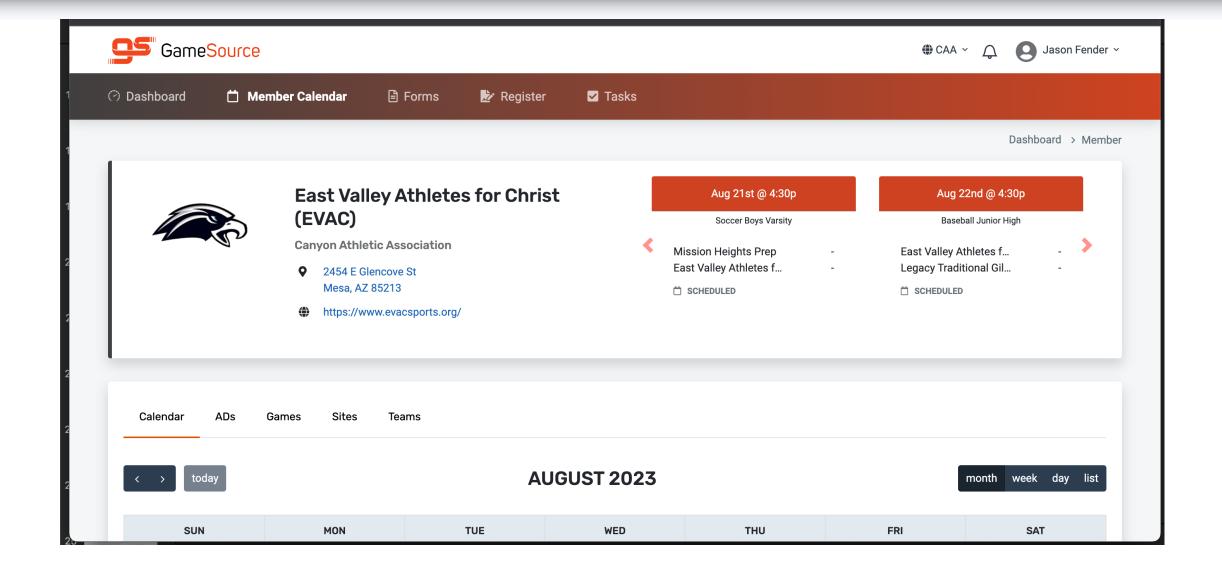
Sports management software

- Required of CAA members
- Automation and integration
- Scheduling of officials, contests... much more

Tools for parents

- View calendar
- Single source for game and practice schedule
- Access your team roster
- Complete registration paperwork
- Platform for internal communication to registered athletes







- Coach communication
- Team administration tool
- Changes to games
- Any edits generate an automated notification

Baseball Varsity Game Changed

Apr 19th 6-8p

Site changed from: Tempe Diablo to Red Mountain Baseball Complex

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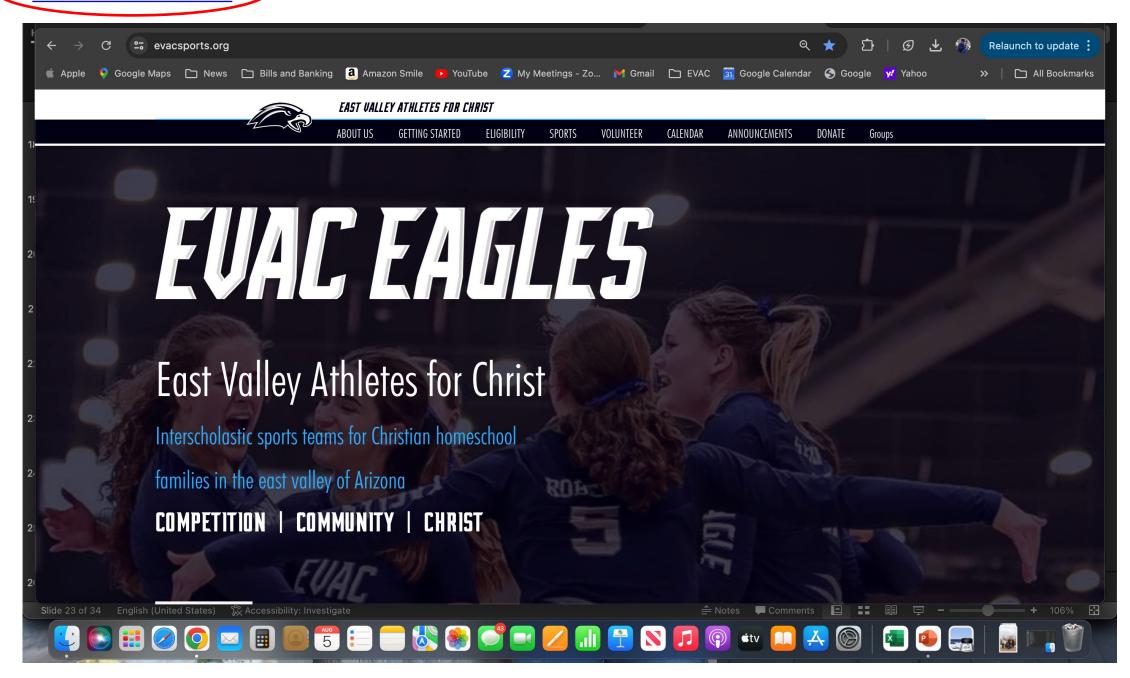
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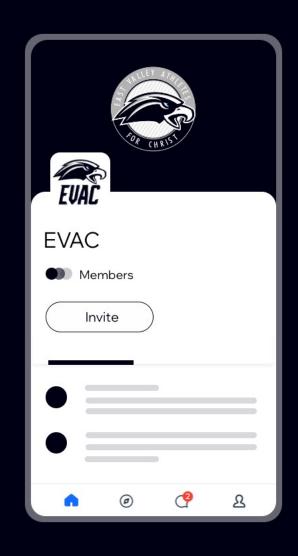
Red Mountain Baseball Complex

8008 E Brown Rd

Mesa, AZ 85207



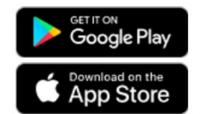




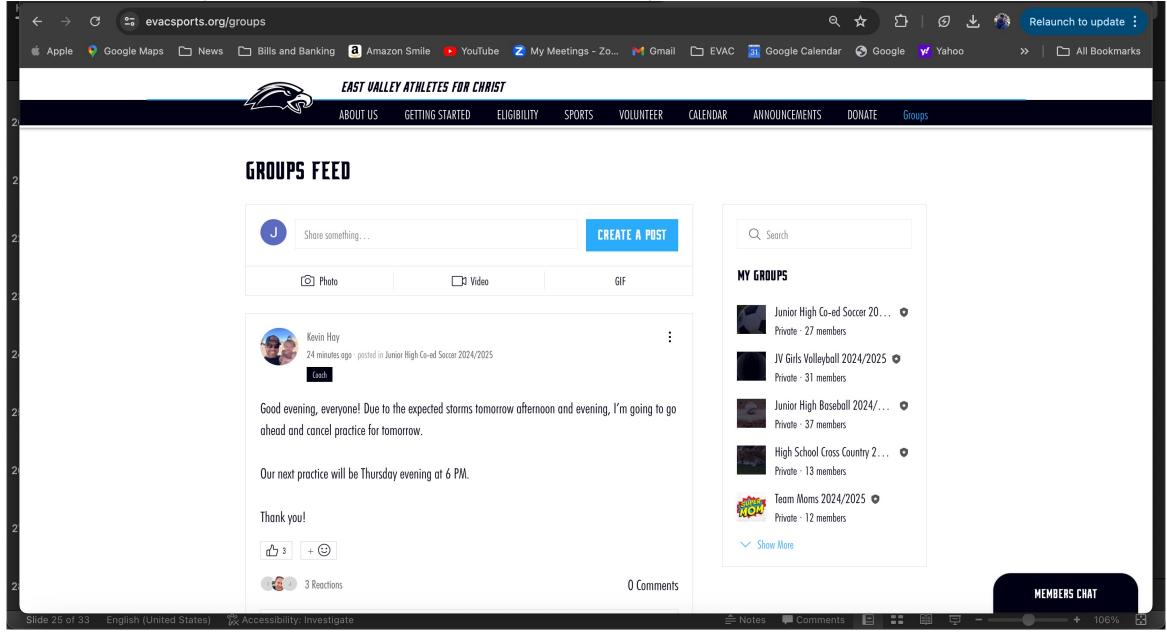
DOWNLOAD THE EVAC APP!

The EVAC appp is the best place to stay informed, engage with the community, and make the most of your EVAC experience.



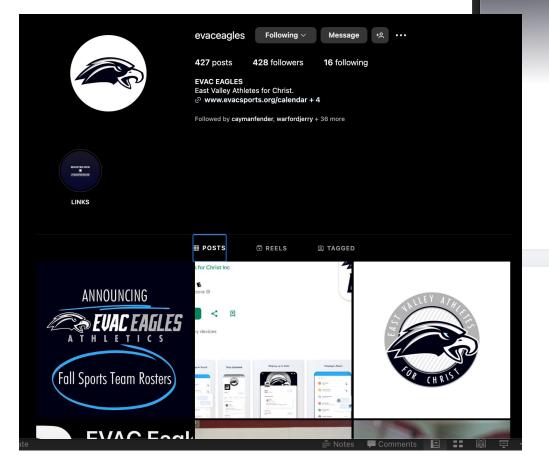


GROUPS (no more Team Snap)





Facebook and Instagram

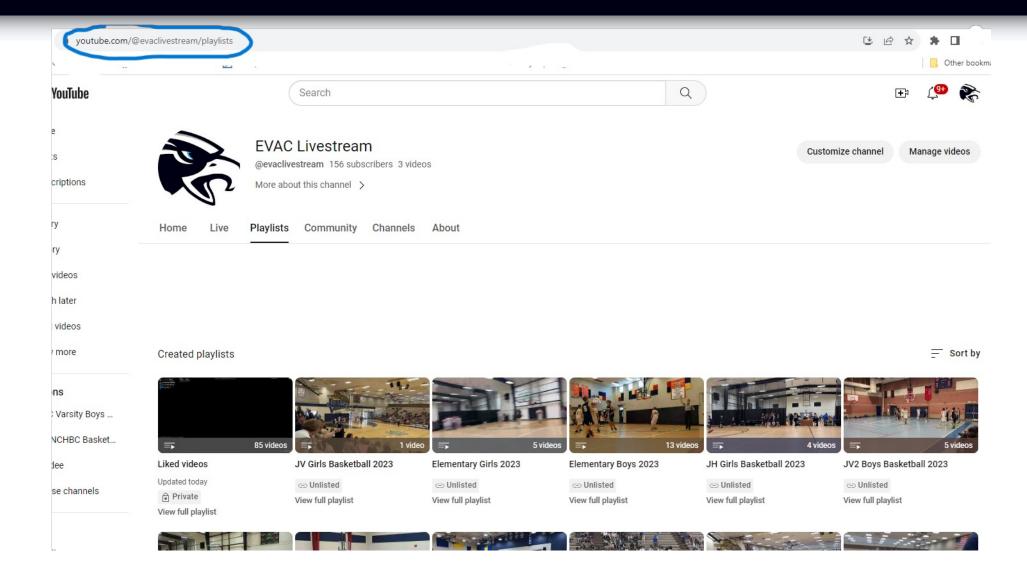




- Photos
- Public recognition
- Celebrations
- Live streaming events



YouTube Livestream





Fees and Logistics



Fees and direct expenses

- CAA league fees
- Gym and field rentals
- Operational overhead
- Insurance

ESA - EVAC is not a vendor, Current policy to not provide Attestation Form for reimbursement. Seek advice from other ESA families on reimbursement.

PAY BY AUG 14th Income and donations

- Fees paid through App
- Welcome tax-deductible donations
- Examples: team specific, travel costs, warm-ups, scholarships, and equipment
- Fund raising events
- Donate on website



Jersey or full uniform - athlete owned

- Name (HS only) and number
- Reversable or Separates (home/away)
- Options to purchase other uniform items at the same time or on your own
- Player will keep your owned uniform throughout junior high OR high school years.
- Care and maintenance is <u>your</u> responsibility.
- Can purchase duplicates or new sizes for later years.
- EVAC has moved to this model for all teams moving forward this year.



Practice locations

- Mesa Baptist Church
- Arizona Athletic Grounds
- Baseball Fields in East Valley
- Power Ranch soccer fields
- McQueen park, Malm backyard

Home games

- Mesa Baptist Church
- McQueen park
- Freestone park
- Snedigar park

Practice frequency

- Reasonable schedule varies (2-5 times per week)
- Wednesday nights are typically not scheduled



Athletic Director Committee

Sport Coordinators (as current coordinators retire)

Facilities and Scheduling Committee

Scheduler position – sport or season

Contact Jason Fender if interested



Financial

- Amazon Smile rewards program
- Donations tax exempt certificate
- Specific team donations or fundraiser
- Scholarship fund contributions

Volunteers and involvement

- Serve on a committee
- Game official scorebook, line judge, clock, etc
- Carpool organizers
- "Team administrator" team administrator committee
- Build community, friendships and relationships

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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