

# Crusaders Chronicle Sports Edition

## Welcome to the Sports Edition!

By: Caitlin Mathers

The Sports Edition will feature many things, such as game updates, player accolades, practice and event dates, a fun facts column, and more.

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## Interview with Coach Mathers and Coach Maluccio.

Interviewer: Caitlin Mathers, Photo by Alix Maluccio

**1. Interviewer: What are you most excited about for the upcoming season?**

**Coach Mathers:**

I think we're gonna have a great season. We've got some great returning players and I'm really looking forward to it, it's going to be a lot of

fun and we're gonna have a great time.

**2. Interviewer: What are your goals for the team this year?**

**Coach Mathers:** To win. I want to elaborate on that. Our goal is always to win. But, you know more important is learning the skills, how to play, learning teamwork, the support of your team members, and good sportsmanship.

**3. Interviewer: How many games do you predict the team will win?**

**Coach Maluccio:** I think we'll win four.

**Interviewer: Do you think the team will make it to the semi-finals?**

**Coach Maluccio:** It's high hopes. I think it would be exciting to make it to the semi-finals, but I think if we can just improve on last year's record it would be working our way there.



**5. Interviewer: Are there any players from the former eighth grade you wish you had back on the team?**

**Coach Mathers:**

Absolutely, Zach. He had speed, and he scored touchdowns, he

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blocked, he played defense, he did all the things that were important.

## **6. We asked the coaches how they thought some of the players would do this season, here is their answer:**

Anton: This is gonna be a big year for Anton and this is gonna be his breakout year.

Tom: He was really coming on strong at the end of last year and he was really starting to get what he was supposed to be doing and this year he is going to excel.

R.J.: He was amazing on the rush and R.J. is gonna keep that up and we're gonna see him in a lot of plays.

Tyler: Will be joining

the team as a rookie and he has a lot of speed. We may see some things out of him.

Scott: Scott's someone who's really gotten good at the center. And we're gonna see a little more of him. We've used him in some different spots. He's done some of the kicking, and he's been put in some other places and I expect a big year for him.

## **7. Interviewer: How much do you think the other teams improved, therefore how hard will they be to beat?**

**Coach Maluccio**:

Hopefully, they didn't improve at all. So hopefully, it's a little bit easier for us to win a couple more games.

## **8. Interviewer: If you could say any inspirational quote to your team what would it be?**

**Coach Mathers**: Play your hearts out.

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## **Coming Soon!**

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The punt, pass, and kick contest is coming soon. So start training if you're expecting to win this fun contest.

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## **Are You Ready for Tryouts?**

**By: Caitlin Mathers**

Tryouts for football will be held at 3:00 PM, Thursday, August 22, on the upper field. Tennis shoes, shorts, and a water bottle will be needed for anyone who decides to try out for the football team. The results for tryouts

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will be announced on Tuesday, August 27. Start practicing if you would like to be on the football team!

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## **Fun Football Facts!**

**By: Abby Wood**

1. Seattle's football team was named by fans!! The city held an election and 20,365 entries were received and 151 of the entries were the name Seahawk. Kind of makes sense because Sea-ttle and their team are named the Sea-hawks!

2. Did you know that a cow has only a 1 in 17,420,000 chance of becoming the NFL football that will be used Super Bowl?

3. Did you know that the NFL did not require football players to wear helmets until 1943!

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## **Want to be a Writer?**

**By: Caitlin Mathers**

The Sports Edition is looking for another writer! If you would like to be a reporter for the Sports Edition please write and submit an appropriate and enthusiastically written article of your choice to me, Caitlin Mathers.

## **Don't You Need Gear for Football?**

**By: Caitlin Mathers**

If you make the football team there is some gear that is required. You will need red shorts with no pockets, molded cleats, a mouthguard, and a water bottle. The

results for tryouts will be announced on Tuesday, August 27.

## **Coming Soon-**

- **Jog-a-thon**
- **T-shirt Contest**

Interview with Coach Maluccio typed by Keira Ostrom

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## Athlete's Prayer

God, let me play well but fairly.

Help me to learn something that matters once the game is over.

Let competition make me strong but never hostile.

Always let me help my opponent up.

Never catch me rejoicing in the adversity of others.

If I know victory, allow me to be happy; if I am denied, keep me from envy.

Remind me that sports are just games.

If through athletics I set an example, let it be a good one.

Amen.