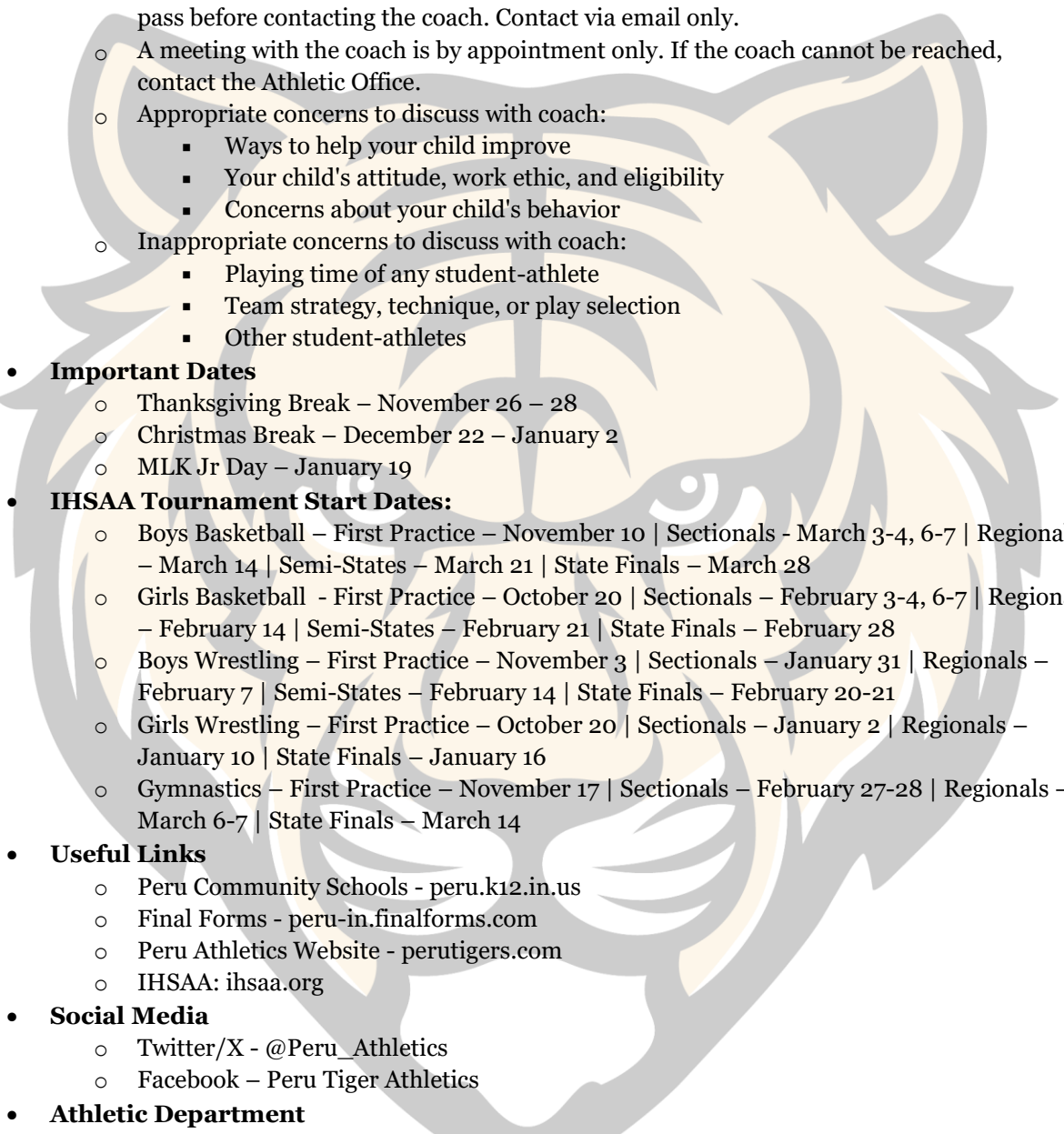




PERU TIGERS ATHLETICS

25-26 Winter Sports Information

- **Mission Statement for Peru Athletics**
 - The purpose of the Peru Athletic Department is to provide sound, competitive athletic programs that revolve around our school's values of self-discipline, respect, perseverance, determination, and integrity. We believe that through athletics, our student athletes will develop the skills necessary to obtain success in college, their careers, and life.
- **Education Based Athletics Philosophy for Peru Athletics**
 - Peru Athletics are truly an extension of the classroom and the lessons learned on the court, field, or mat can last a lifetime. In addition to showcasing individual talent and preparation, they provide added purpose to the lives of our student athletes, help build confidence, teach them how to work effectively with their peers, and have the potential to push them to become the best version of themselves. Not to mention the values of hard work, determination, and perseverance that will be instilled throughout the process.
- **Core Values for Peru Athletics**
 - Self-Discipline
 - Respect
 - Perseverance
 - Determination
 - Integrity
- **Winter Sports Offered**
 - (High School) – Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Gymnastics, Boys Wrestling, Girls Wrestling, Cheer
 - (Junior High) – Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Cheer
- **IHSAA Requirements**
 - Must be passing 70% of classes (5 of 7). 9 week and semester grades count toward eligibility. 4 grade certification dates/year (10/22, 1/7, 3/11, 5/29)
 - 8 practices must be obtained before game competition
- **Attendance**
 - Must be present a minimum of 4 hours at school to be able to participate on the same day, unless approved by Admin. Doctor's appointments, funerals, etc.. are exempt.
- **Transportation**
 - We want our athletic teams travel to and from contests together. In the event a special circumstance arises where your child is not able to ride the bus, travel release consent forms can be found in the athletic office or on Final Forms. Reason must be sufficiently urgent to family needs to justify not riding the bus.
- **Athletic Trainer**
 - Primmer Zook – pzook@peru.k12.in.us
 - Provided to us by Parkview Sports Medicine
 - We rely on his word for Heat Index, Thunder& Lightning, Concussions, and Cardiac Issues

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- **Parent/Coach Communication Protocol**
 - Encourage your child to speak directly with the coach. Concerns can be resolved at this level in most cases.
 - Refrain from confronting a coach before or after a practice or game. Allow 24 hours to pass before contacting the coach. Contact via email only.
 - A meeting with the coach is by appointment only. If the coach cannot be reached, contact the Athletic Office.
 - Appropriate concerns to discuss with coach:
 - Ways to help your child improve
 - Your child's attitude, work ethic, and eligibility
 - Concerns about your child's behavior
 - Inappropriate concerns to discuss with coach:
 - Playing time of any student-athlete
 - Team strategy, technique, or play selection
 - Other student-athletes
 - **Important Dates**
 - Thanksgiving Break – November 26 – 28
 - Christmas Break – December 22 – January 2
 - MLK Jr Day – January 19
 - **IHSAA Tournament Start Dates:**
 - Boys Basketball – First Practice – November 10 | Sectionals - March 3-4, 6-7 | Regionals – March 14 | Semi-States – March 21 | State Finals – March 28
 - Girls Basketball - First Practice – October 20 | Sectionals – February 3-4, 6-7 | Regionals – February 14 | Semi-States – February 21 | State Finals – February 28
 - Boys Wrestling – First Practice – November 3 | Sectionals – January 31 | Regionals – February 7 | Semi-States – February 14 | State Finals – February 20-21
 - Girls Wrestling – First Practice – October 20 | Sectionals – January 2 | Regionals – January 10 | State Finals – January 16
 - Gymnastics – First Practice – November 17 | Sectionals – February 27-28 | Regionals – March 6-7 | State Finals – March 14
 - **Useful Links**
 - Peru Community Schools - peru.k12.in.us
 - Final Forms - peru-in.finalforms.com
 - Peru Athletics Website - perutigers.com
 - IHSAA: ihsaa.org
 - **Social Media**
 - Twitter/X - @Peru_Athletics
 - Facebook – Peru Tiger Athletics
 - **Athletic Department**
 - Athletic Director – Adam Yates | ayates@peru.k12.in.us | (765) 472-3301
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