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**Gateway  
Middle School  
Athletics & Activities**

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May 15, 2019

Prospective Volleyball Player's Parent or Guardian:

Your daughter attended a meeting today and expressed an interest in participating in volleyball for Gateway Middle School next fall.

Volleyball is an interscholastic sport at the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade level. The teams play a schedule of 2 scrimmages and 16 games against other teams in the Northern Lakes League, The Northern Buckeye League, or the Northwest Ohio Athletic League. There is a post-season tournament at the conclusion of the season.

The roster for the volleyball teams is limited. Players will be selected using a tryout process that begins on August 1<sup>st</sup>. If your child has an interest in trying out for the Gateway volleyball team, plan your summer activities in such away so they are available to attend tryouts and practice on weekdays beginning on August 1<sup>st</sup>. School sports are a privilege, and not a vested right. If your child would like to have an opportunity to be a member of the volleyball team, then plan ahead so they are able to attend tryouts and practices on weekdays during the month of August, beginning on August 1.

“Open gym” is an opportunity for your daughter to play and work on skills prior to tryouts in August. Attending open gyms gets volleyball candidates in the gym and allows them to practice their skills. Open gyms are not required. They are not the same as tryouts. Open gyms are a time for Gateway 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders to practice their skills and play against each other informally. Open gyms will be supervised by certified coaches / staff members.

Athletes will use Door 7 to leave the school or to be picked up after open gym.

Contact me at school if you have questions. [jkolbow@maumeek12.org](mailto:jkolbow@maumeek12.org)

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