



Monday Night Gridiron Club Newsletter

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"Message from the Gridiron Club"

Greetings 2014 Football Parents!

This newsletter will hopefully provide you with some useful information concerning both the team and the Gridiron Club. We now begin a new tenure for the Gridiron and its new Board of Directors as we seek new membership and increased participation.

Football Tradition

North Attleboro takes great pride in its football program. For decades the Red Rocketeers have been one of Massachusetts' premiere interscholastic football programs. As part of Big Red Football your sons will be asked to maintain a very high standard on and off the field. The lessons they learn relative to dedication, sacrifice, and being part of a team will serve them well the rest of their lives. Success will be derived from a commitment to preparation and hard work.

Grid Iron

The Gridiron Club is the non-profit booster club founded to provide the team and coaches with the tools and support they need to run a successful program. For many years the school's budget has not been able to provide the football program with everything needed. This is where the **Monday Night Gridiron Club** steps in. Through fundraising the club is able to provide the team with items that they would otherwise have to go without. Out of necessity in recent years the Gridiron Club has purchased helmets, game pants, game jerseys, practice jerseys, sideline headphones, rib pads, chin straps, and blocking pads. The Gridiron Club also funds a scholarship awarded annually to a graduating senior and provides stipends for volunteer coaches. The ongoing needs of a successful program with so many players are substantial and more than the town is currently able to provide.

There is the impression that the football program is heavily funded and all needs are readily filled. We can assure you this is not the case. The misunderstanding often seems to stem from the belief that the high school football program receives the revenue from gate receipts and concessions. All gate receipts or ticket sales go directly to the school system to support busing costs for all the school funded sports programs. The concession stand is operated by and for the benefit of the North Attleboro Pop Warner Junior Football program. Football is fortunate to be a "school funded" program but the current funding level does not meet the most basic needs. The ability of the Monday Night Gridiron Club to provide additional support has never been more important.

If you are new to the football program or have not had the chance to check out our website then please go to www.redrocketeers.com. Each week during the season it is updated with news, important dates, game scores, game photos, and much more.

Sincerely,

The Monday Night Gridiron Club