



Irondequoit Junior Eagles Youth Football & Cheer

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AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL CURRENT & PAST IRONDEQUOIT VIKINGS AND WEST IRONDEQUOIT RESIDENTS

February 20, 2017

To all current and past Irondequoit Vikings and West Irondequoit residents:

It is with great pleasure that we, the Board of Directors, announce we are officially changing our name from the Irondequoit Vikings to the Irondequoit Jr. Eagles effective for the 2017 season. It has been a fantastic, rewarding, journey as Vikings. 54 years has created lasting memories and lifelong friendships. There have been great successes both on and off the fields of play and competition mats. But as time moves on we must all evolve and change. It is a huge honor to be the feeder program for the West Irondequoit High School football and cheerleading programs. By aligning ourselves in name and strengthening that relationship, we look to honor the Vikings lasting legacy and create a strong future for all of the youth in the West Irondequoit School District.

Approximately 15 years ago, when the Indians became the Eagles, Chelsea Davidson, an IHS student, said "Today, this tradition, this new name, is too young and too new for us to speak about it with passion or to feel that we strongly identify with it ... but 'West Irondequoit Eagles' will come to have meaning for us. It will stand for the pride we take in our school and our athletic teams. This new name will become the root, the heart of our school spirit."

How prophetic was that? We couldn't have said it better ourselves. The change we make today is built on the hard work and efforts of those who have come before us. Vikings, Indians, Eagles.....no matter. It is all Irondequoit Football and Cheerleading. We will have the same spirit, the same heart and the same high standard of representation we have always had.

To begin this new and exciting chapter, we will hold open registrations on Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 PM and Saturday, April 1st at 9 AM. Both signups will be held in the open court at I-Square. We encourage you to join us! You can visit our new webpage at irondequoitjunioreagles.org for all registration forms and any other information.

On behalf of the Board, I ask you to celebrate this change with us. We will always respect what the Vikings name has meant for us and for the generations of players and families before us. New name, new colors, same spirit! Go Irondequoit!

Sincerely,

Chris Dugan
President
Irondequoit Jr. Eagles Youth Football and Cheerleading