



U.S. Marine Corps - Passing League Maryland assigns U.S.M.C.-themed nicknames for the 20 teams

Woodlawn High School facility to host seven-on-seven tournament on Saturday, July 23

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BALTIMORE, MD - The U.S. Marine Corps Recruiting Station Baltimore is proud to announce that 20 teams will compete in the U.S. Marine Corps Passing League – Maryland at Woodlawn High School on Saturday, July 23. The seven-on-seven tournament will feature high school football student-athletes and coaches from throughout Maryland.

In accordance with Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association rules regarding out of season practice and competition, the U.S. Marine Corps – Passing League Maryland has assigned team names or monikers that are not connected with any specific public high school in the state. The U.S. Marine Corps – Passing League Maryland team names are all associated with regiments, battalions, air wings, etc., from the rich history of the U.S. Marine Corps.

U.S. Marine Corps - Passing League Maryland – Team Nicknames

Arctic Warriors (25th Marine Regiment)

Head Coach: Jeff Seals (Montgomery Blair)

Black Sheep (Marine Attack Squadron 214)

Head Coach: Rich Holzer (Meade)

Death Rattlers (Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 VMFA-323)

Head Coach: Donald Davis (Calvert Hall)

Destroyers (2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion)

Head Coach: Dante Jones (Edmondson-Westside)

Devil Dogs (Nickname for Marines)

Head Coach: Lance Clelland (South River)

Fighting Fifth (5th Marine Regiment)
Head Coach: Terry Hayes (Bowie)

Highlander (1st Armored Reconnaissance Battalion)
Head Coach: Terry Hayes (Bowie)

Island Warriors (2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines)
Head Coach: Edmund Hughes (Long Reach)

Lava Dogs (1st Battalion, 3rd Marines)
Head Coach: Mike Melton (Glen Burine)

Leathernecks (Nickname for Marines)
Head Coach: Todd Sommerville (Laurel)

Mortalis (3rd Reconnaissance Battalion)
Head Coach: Dwayne Green (Bluford Drew Jemison Academy)

Nightmare (1st Battalion, 10th Marines)
Head Coach: Michael Nines (Leonardtwn)

Purple Foxes (Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron HMM-268)
Head Coach: Travis Blackston (Dunbar)

Striking Ninth (3rd Battalion, 9th Marines)
Head Coach: Mike Melton (Glen Burine)

Teufelhunden (German word for Devil Dogs)
Head Coach: Rob Elliott (Chesapeake)

The Mad Ghosts (2nd Battalion, 24th Marines)
Head Coach: Rich Holzer (Meade)

Thundering Third (3rd Battalion, 1st Marines)
Head Coach: DaVaughn Mellerson

Timberwolf (1st Battalion, 2nd Marines)
Head Coach: Andre Brown (High Point)

Thunder (3rd Battalion, 11th Marines)
Head Coach: Reggie White (Milford Mill Academy)

Wolfpack (3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion)
Head Coach: DaVaughn Mellerson

The single-day event will feature 20 teams, with each team guaranteed to play a minimum of four games. Each team will play three games in pool play to determine the seeding for the single-elimination championship round.

The U.S. Marine Corps Passing League - Maryland is a traditional seven-on-seven non-contact passing league played on a shortened field with only passing plays from the line of scrimmage. The games feature quarterbacks, wide receivers, running backs, and defensive backs, giving these skill players an opportunity to sharpen their skills in a fun, competitive atmosphere.

Woodlawn High School is part of the Baltimore County Public Schools and is located at 1801 Woodlawn Drive in Baltimore. Woodlawn High School is committed to fostering an environment of high expectation and academic excellence accomplished through the ideals of teamwork, respect, and responsibility. Woodlawn High School is a four-year, public, comprehensive high school serving approximately 1,800 students. The school has received accreditation from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools by the Maryland Department of Education. Woodlawn High School is also a member of the College Entrance Examination Board and the National Association of College Admissions Counselors.

Woodlawn High School is located one half mile east of exit 17 (Security Blvd.) off the Baltimore Beltway I-695 at 1801 Woodlawn Drive.

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"The Sports Flash" (TSF) Radio Network manages the U.S. Marine Corps – Passing League Maryland. In 2010, TSF Radio Network launched the Pennsylvania Passing League, which featured 32 teams playing in two divisions with more than 600 student-athletes participating. The National Football League's Pittsburgh Steelers invited the Pennsylvania Passing League's division winners to play an exhibition at halftime of their 2010 preseason opener at Heinz Field. The Pennsylvania Passing League held two tournaments in 2011 in Harrisburg and suburban Pittsburgh.

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