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### IUPUI Jaguar athletics

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**As summer draws to a close, I'm enjoying the energy** as professional schools start, residence hall assistants are moving in and we look optimistically towards another record fall semester for credit hour enrollment.

**Another sign of change is fall athletics.** The IUPUI Jaguars home schedule kicks off before the start of the academic year with the men's soccer team hosting Northern Illinois at the renovated Carroll Stadium on Aug. 19. Women's soccer will follow with its home opener on Aug. 29. Cross Country begins Aug. 30 for men and women at Butler University, but there are no home meets.

Then, our outstanding volleyball team eyes a **"three-peat."** The two-time defending Summit League champions launches their season opener on Aug. 23 against IUPUI volleyball alumni. I love the competition, the teamwork and the spirit generated throughout campus that result from getting players and fans involved in all Jags sports.

Mark your calendar for the following games where **students will receive free IUPUI Jags T-shirts.** And as a reminder, admission to all Jags sports home games is free for all IUPUI students with a valid JagsTag.

- **Women's soccer** -- 5 to 6 p.m. Sept. 5. As part of "Weeks of Welcome," students can participate in the JagProwl -- an interactive, fun-filled celebration -- starting at 5 p.m. at the recreation fields north of University Tower and "prowl" to Carroll Stadium with stops along University Boulevard. for free food, rally towels and other Jag swag. Once inside the stadium, students can get their picture taken at the "selfie" station.
- **Volleyball** -- 7 p.m. Sept. 17 in The Jungle where the Jags will host, for the first time ever, the IU Hoosiers in volleyball.
- The final Jags T-shirt giveaway will be 7 p.m. Sept. 19 at Carroll Stadium as the **men's soccer** team hosts the University of Dayton.

**And anticipation mounts for the IUPUI Jaguar basketball home opener at their new home -- the fully renovated Fairgrounds Coliseum -- on Nov. 14.** Opening night will feature double-header action with the women's team facing nationally ranked Louisville at 5 p.m., followed by the men's game against Indiana State. **IUPUI employees have a first-time opportunity** to purchase season tickets at the discounted rate of less than \$7 per game. [Visit the IUPUI Athletics website](#) for more information on purchasing tickets.

**Finally, IUPUI Athletics is proud to unveil its brand new website, [IUPUIJags.com](http://IUPUIJags.com),** just in time for the start of the 2014-15 sports season. The site provides a bold, vibrant new design, crafted to highlight all the best of Jaguars athletics. The sleek, modern look will feature eye-catching photography and videography, while continuing to provide first-rate coverage of all 18 of IUPUI's varsity sports.

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