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**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN
CONCERNING MINIMUM INSURANCE COVERAGE
REQUIRED FOR ATHLETIC EVENT PARTICIPANTS**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The California Education Code (Section 32220-24) requires that every student who participates in a school-sponsored athletic event as a member of an athletic team shall have insurance protection for medical and hospital expenses resulting from accidental bodily injuries in an amount of at least \$1,500.

"Member of an athletic team" means a member of an extramural athletic team engaged in athletic events on or outside the school grounds, maintained or sponsored by the school district or a student body organization thereof.

"Member of an athletic team" also includes the following:

- (a) member of school bands or orchestras
- (b) cheerleaders and their assistants
- (c) pompom girls
- (d) team managers and their assistants
- (e) any student or pupil selected by the school or student body organization to directly assist in the conduct of the athletic event including activities incidental thereto.

The following are not considered members of an athletic team:

- (a) organized rooting sections
- (b) student body members who are spectators
- (c) other spectator students who are not actually participating in the conduct of the athletic event.
- (d) participants in a playday or field day activity occurring occasionally during a school year in which students of one or more particular grade levels from two or more schools of a school district participate in athletic contests.

Insurance protection of the kind and in the amounts required by Education Code Section 32221 may be purchased for the student from Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co., Inc. A description of the policy including coverage available, premiums, and an enrollment envelope are included with this notice. You should note that the only plan that covers interscholastic tackle football is the "Interscholastic Tackle Football Plan".

The mandated insurance is not required for any individual team member or student who can furnish satisfactory proof that he has such insurance or a reasonable equivalent of health benefit coverage provided for him in any other way.

If a member of an athletic team or a parent, guardian or other person having charge or control of a member of an athletic team is financially unable to pay the cost of the required insurance protection, such person should contact the appropriate school principal immediately to inform him/her of this fact so that alternative arrangements can be made for paying the cost of the required insurance coverage.

Sincerely,

Bruce E. Colby
Associate Superintendent, Business Services

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