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Dear Families,

Based on the number of registrations, from kindergarteners through 6th graders, we can tell that you are as excited about the return of basketball this winter as we are. I want to thank you for putting your trust in our department to provide your child with a meaningful, fun-filled, skill-based program.

The past 20 months have certainly been challenging in ways that we could have never imagined. I believe that pre-pandemic, we may have taken physical activity and social interaction for granted. The need for both is great. This community need is what drives our work to make these opportunities available to you.

Our goals for the 2021-2022 basketball season are pretty simple:

- 1. Physical activity and social interaction that is fun-** We want your child to experience fun physical activity and social interaction, while learning and playing the great game of basketball.
- 2. Participant and community safety-** We want to be mindful that we are still in a global pandemic. We have implemented protocol that is aimed at keeping participants, staff, and the community as safe as possible. We respectfully ask that you do your part to help.

Mask, Distance, Wash!

- ✓ Masks will be required, regardless of vaccination status, in all gymnasiums.
 - ✓ Hand sanitizing stations will be available upon entry into the gymnasiums and on the benches for players and coaches.
 - ✓ Distancing will be encouraged at all gymnasiums.
 - ✓ In order to maintain distancing, the K&1st and 2nd grade participants will be allowed ONE parent or guardian in the gym for each Saturday game. We know that this is not ideal, the gym is just too small to accommodate any more while maintaining distance.
 - ✓ 3rd – 6th grade practices during the week are drop-off only. Please no parents in the gym during this time.
- 3. Season preservation!**
 - ✓ We will get as many of the scheduled practices and games in this season as possible. This may, on occasion, mean that practices and/or game schedules are changed/cancelled. This

will only happen if deemed necessary due to any extenuating circumstances caused by covid (or inclement weather, of course).

- ✓ In the event any player is identified as a close contact of someone having tested positive for covid (in school or otherwise) please let us know so that we can take appropriate safety measures. Additionally, if your child does not feel well, please don't send them to basketball.

We are confident that together, this will be a great season. One filled with physical activity, social interaction, fun, skill development, and memories made. Thank you in advance for doing your part, we appreciate it, and we look forward to seeing you on the court!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin Cogger'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, rounded 'O' at the end.

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