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Dear Parents:

This year, our 7th and 8th grade Middle School students will once again have the opportunity to participate in some of the after school sports offered at Stillwater Junior High School. Because of the difference in dismissal times at SCCS and Stillwater Junior High School (3:30 at SCCS and 2:30 at SJHS), students registering for these sports will be allowed to leave SCCS early on practice and game or meet days.

Our schedule is designed so that students participating in Junior High School sports will be dismissed at the end of our 6th hour (about 2:30 pm). They will be missing their last class of the day and their end of the day Advisory time. Those students participating in Junior High sports will go on an Independent Study Contract until their sport is finished for the season. The teachers will try to assist each student, but it will be the parent who is responsible for teaching the student the prescribed course work. Weekly communication, initiated by the parent, between home and school will be required to maintain the student's focus and success. The student and parent will also be responsible to give a copy of the meet/game schedule with early dismissals to the SCCS office after the first day of practice.

Transportation to the Junior High School **will not** be provided. Rides and carpooling would be the best option to lessen the amount of class time missed. (A release form must be signed if you want your child to walk to SJHS.)

Early dismissal from SCCS will be allowed only for sports not available to students through CAA (Catholic Athletic Association) or VAA (Valley Athletic Association). As a part of our agreement with District 834, students **must** register for the Stillwater Junior High School sports **at SCCS**. Your check will be made out to SCCS and we will in turn pay Stillwater Junior High School. The cost of these sports for SCCS students is higher than for SJHS students. This is because our students are required to pay the actual cost of the sport.

Fall sports registration will be accepted during the SCCS Registration times in August up until the day the sport begins. The parent and student must complete a Parent's Permit and Health Questionnaire as well as sign an Independent Study Contract and the walking release form where necessary (all are attached to this letter and are also available in the SCCS office and on the SCCS web site). 7th grade students must also have their 7th grade physical on file in the SCCS office before their sport begins. After the student turns in these forms and payment, made out to SCCS, he or she will receive a receipt to be given to the coach on the first day of practice. Students who are invited to participate in Minnesota State High School League Varsity sports should contact the Stillwater Area High School Athletic Office for

information about registering. These students should also complete an Independent Study Contract and, if it applies, a Walking Release Form for SCCS.

Football practice begins on August 31 and other sports begin on September 8. For more complete information about dates and times, please see the Stillwater Junior High School website, <http://sjhs.stillwater.k12.mn.us/Athletics.html>. Also, watch for notices in your weekly FYI later in the year about registration for winter or spring sports.

The following sports will be available:

FALL

Football – 7 th grade	\$ 240.00
Football – 8 th grade	\$ 250.00
Swimming (Jr. High girls) – 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Swimming (Jr. High girls) – 8 th grade	\$ 165.00
Cross Country (boys and girls) – 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Cross Country (boys and girls) – 8 th grade	\$ 165.00
Tennis (girls) - 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Tennis (girls) - 8 th grade	\$ 165.00
Soccer – 8 th grade	\$ 215.00

(Soccer will be allowed only if an SCCS CAA team does not form)

WINTER

Swimming (Jr. High boys) – 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Swimming (Jr. High boys) – 8 th grade	\$ 165.00
Wrestling – 7 th grade	\$ 165.00
Wrestling – 8 th grade	\$ 175.00

SPRING

Track - 7 th grade	\$ 165.00
Track – 8 th grade	\$ 175.00
Tennis (boys) - 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Tennis (boys) - 8 th grade	\$ 165.00
Synchronized swimming - 7 th grade	\$ 155.00
Synchronized swimming - 8 th grade	\$ 165.00

Sincerely,

Cressy Epperly
SCCS Principal

cc: John Kolnik, SCCS Athletic Director