

# Poway Unified School District Athletics

June, 2008

Dear Parents of Student-Athletes in PUSD:

As a result of the recent budget reductions at both the state and local levels, we find ourselves faced with a situation that will necessitate additional financial support from each of you if we are to maintain our current level of services to our student-athletes.

At the most recent school board meeting, the following reductions which have a direct effect upon athletics were approved:

- **School site supply and material budgets were reduced by approximately 30%.** To each of our programs this represents a loss of \$8,400.
- **The number of high school assistant coaching positions was reduced by 10 per school,** a loss of approximately \$27,000, not to mention the other intangibles that quality coaches provide our student-athletes which cannot be assigned a dollar value.
- **District funding for athletic transportation has been eliminated.** The financial loss to each athletic department is \$54,000, but more importantly, we are now faced with two dilemmas: 1) How do we safely transport our student-athletes to their contests? And 2) With leagues changing and travel distances increasing as a result, how do we generate the additional money needed to pay for these trips?

At this time our number one priority is maintaining our high level of athletic transportation support services. In order to meet this goal, we propose the following:

- A contribution of \$90 per athlete for the school year which would go into a fund to be used solely to provide bus or school van transportation for all our athletic teams, including field hockey, boys and girls lacrosse and cheerleading, during weekday contests. Transportation to Saturday contests would be very limited under this proposal. For those of you with multiple athletes, there will be a family cap of \$180.

We hope you share in our belief that district provided transportation is in the best interests of everyone involved. Without your support, alternative means of transportation will have to be found and may necessitate fewer student-athletes traveling to away contests.

We appreciate your continued support of our athletic programs.

Respectfully,

Tom McCoy Ed.D  
Principal, Mt. Carmel

Paul Robinson  
Principal, RBHS

Dawn Kastner  
Principal, Westview

Scott Fisher  
Principal, Poway

Randy Wright  
Athletic Director

Peggy Brose  
Athletic Director

Chris Carter  
Athletic Director

Dan Crane  
Athletic Director

**POWAY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MT CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL**

**Name of Athlete:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fall Sport:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Winter Sport:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spring Sport:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Sibling(s) in Sport(s):** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Please make checks out to MCHS Transportation and on memo line student's name or School ID number. Please mail your check to Mt Carmel High School, Athletic Department, 9550 Carmel Mountain Road, San Diego, CA 92129 or turn into Linda Uribe in the Athletic Office, Room D-9.**

**Please check one:**

\$90       \$180       \$ \_\_\_\_\_