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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We hope you are having a nice summer. Fall sports practices will begin in less than a month. We will NOT be having a Back-To-Activities night this year. All of the forms/information needed will be at our school website www.isd547.com. If you do not have access to the internet, copies will be available in the high school office. Each student/parent will need to fill out the last 2 pages of the MSHSL Extra-Curricular Form to be turned into the high school office.

There are NO changes to the Activities Handbook for 2010-2011. The handbook is available on the website or you may pick up a copy in the office. Please realize that when you sign the MSHSL Extra-Curricular form, you are agreeing to all the rules in the Activities and Student Handbooks. Even if your child does not plan to be in a sport, but will participate in Band, Choir, MSHSL Art Contests, One Act Play or Speech Team, you still need to have a signed form on file.

Activity fees for 10-11: \$40.00 (per sport) for grades 7 & 8 \$50.00 (per sport) for grades 9-12
Speech Team \$10.00 for grades 7-12 Family Maximum is \$300.00

Practice for fall sports will begin on the dates/times listed below:

Football for grades 9-12 (Schulz): Football camp is running July 27-29th. Please contact Dirk Schulz at 218-639-6050 if you want to sign up. Practice will start on August 16. Be dressed and ready to go by 8:00 a.m. and meet in rooms 111 and 123.

Equipment checkout will be as follows:

Wednesday, August 11 6:30 p.m.-Seniors 6:45-Juniors 7:00-Sophomores 7:15-Freshmen

Football for grades 7 & 8 (Marotto): Practice will begin on August 16. You will be receiving a letter from Coach Marotto with detailed information.

Football Cheerleaders (Boutain): Practice will begin on August 16. You will be contacted individually by your coach.

Tennis for grades 7-12 (Warren): Practice begins on August 16 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on the tennis courts. Tennis girls may purchase padlocks and pick locker room lockers on Monday, August 9th anytime during the day.

Volleyball for grades 9-12 (Revering): Practice begins on August 16 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. **Bring your running shoes along with your volleyball shoes.** The Ashby Varsity Conference Scrimmage will be on Thursday, August 26 and the Varsity Concordia Smorgasbord will be Saturday, August 28 in Moorhead. JV will have a scrimmage in Alexandria on Wednesday, August 25 in the morning. Volleyball girls may purchase padlocks and pick locker room lockers on Tuesday, August 10th anytime during the day.

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Volleyball for grades 7 & 8: Junior High practice begins on Monday, August 23rd. Practice will be at the Elementary School from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Players should have the nets up and be stretching by 3:30. We will be doing weight lifting at the high school. During the summer, plan to be dropped off at the Elementary School and picked up at the high school. Please bring water bottles to practice. It saves time and we will be running outdoors so you can take it with you. Running outdoors means you have to have a pair of court shoes (no black soles) and a pair of tennis shoes that you can use outdoors.

Check out the enclosed gold sheet for “Rev it up” Conditioning Camp. Amy Revering will offer camp August 2 – August 13.

Admission to athletic events for adults is \$5.00 and admission for students is \$3.00. Athletic event season passes (good for 10 events) are \$40.00 for an adult and \$20.00 for a student. You may purchase season passes in the high school office or at sporting events where paid admission is required. If you could spare some time to help out Panther Boosters by taking tickets or working in the football concession stand, please let Darcy know at 338-6011 X101 or dpeppersack@pp.k12.mn.us. Athletic passes purchased and not completely used during the last school year are valid for the next school year. Senior citizens from our community may ask for a free home event senior pass in the high school office or at athletic events.

Fall sports pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, August 31**, starting at 7:00 a.m. Sports picture envelopes will be available by August 18 at the high school office or from your coach.

Picture order will be as follows starting at 7:00 a.m.

Football (Grades 7-12) - at the football field

Football Cheerleaders – after football at the football field

Tennis (Grades 7-12) – after cheerleading at the tennis courts

Volleyball (Grades 7-12) – after tennis at the sand volleyball courts in city park

(If it rains, pictures will be moved to the high school new gym in the same order.)

Parkers Prairie schools will be using **rSchool Today** technology to schedule events. You may access current information at the following website: www.littleeightconference.org. **Please pick Parkers Prairie (on the right) and then follow the directions on the enclosed pink information sheets.** We are still entering data, but plan to have everything entered prior to school beginning.

This year you may also access school calendars on our website at www.isd547.com. If you have any questions, please contact the high school office on Wednesdays between 8 am and noon. Darcy will be back to work full-time starting August 9.

Panther Pride!

Kelly Mesker
Activities Director