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Dear Member of the Class of 2015:

I hope you are having a great summer. This fall begins a very exciting phase of your life - one that will bring new challenges, experiences and memories. It is my desire that your next four years at Saint Ignatius will be rewarding, valuable and memorable as they have been for so many students before you.

Participating in athletics at Saint Ignatius is one way to help you make the most of your high school years. Taking part in sports offers many rewards. Athletics gives you the opportunity to make new friends, learn valuable life skills and make a stronger connection to our school.

The fall season offers you the first opportunity to try out for a team. We offer cross country, golf, swimming/diving, tennis and volleyball for girls. The boys program has cross country, football, golf and soccer. We also have club level teams (which are supervised by the Athletic Department) in crew (rowing) and sailing for boys and girls, field hockey for girls and ice hockey for boys. The Parent Board for each club sport works in conjunction with the Athletic Department to facilitate the club sports program. Fall sport tryouts being on Wednesday, August 10. **NO FRESHMAN ATHLETE MAY BEGIN PRACTICE WITHOUT HIS/HER PHYSICAL EXAM ON FILE IN THE DEAN'S OFFICE.** Please check our website, www.ignatius.org, for the fall sports tryout schedule and other miscellaneous information.

If you or your parents/guardians have any questions about the athletic program at Saint Ignatius, please do not hesitate to contact us. **For specific questions regarding a particular sport, such as tryout times, locations, etc., please contact the Head Coach of that sport. If he/she isn't available, please leave a message in his/her voicemail or e-mail.** Coaches' contact information is listed on the tryout schedule.

IMPORTANT!!!! Please note that interscholastic athletics continues during Christmas and spring breaks as well as other short breaks from the regular school calendar. Athletes are expected to be at all competitions and practices when school is not in session. Therefore, families are asked to not schedule vacations during school break when their athlete's sport is in season.

Since 2008, Wolfpack athletic teams have won over 35 Championships at the Conference, Regional and Sectional levels. We are looking forward to continued success in our Athletic Program with your participation. Enjoy the remainder of your summer and let's work together for a great year of Wolfpack Athletics in 2011-12.

You don't have to be a great athlete to get a lot out of participating in an excellent program at the best school in America. Give it a try – you won't be sorry!

Sincerely,
James T. Prunty
Athletic Director