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UPDATE: December 1, 2021

Dear SSCS Parents and Community Members,

The Superintendents and Athletic Directors of the Tri-Valley League have agreed on similar protocols and expectations for the winter basketball season, which comply with current Department of Health (DOH) guidelines that allow our student-athletes the opportunity to participate in what CDC/DOH identify as "high risk" sports (i.e., basketball and cheerleading). The health and safety of our athletes, coaches, and fans are of the utmost importance to us as we want to ensure our student-athletes the opportunity to learn and grow through athletics.

- **Masks** - In accordance with the mask mandate from NYS Department of Health for all public schools, face masks must be worn by all individuals over the age of 3 years old while indoors at all public schools. If masks are not worn or not worn properly (covering both individual's nose and mouth) by players, coaches, referees and fans, there is the potential for the contest to be stopped or even shut down (as per DOH regulations).
- **Spectators** - Each school will determine if spectators are allowed based on their gym capacity. In response to recent COVID-19 cases in our school-community, SSCS will only allow home fans with a pass issued by a player or coach (if you would like to attend, but do not have a pass, contact Mr. Yorke). Additionally, three feet of separation between households is required. For away games, please check with your child's coach as to whether or not the team SSCS is traveling to allows away fans. Additionally, this information can be found on the "Athletics" page on the school website.
- **Streaming of games** - All schools will be streaming their games with a link found at the home team's website. Games hosted at SSCS will be streamed from a link off of the district website: www.sharonsprings.org
- **Concessions** – Due to COVID restrictions for serving food, SSCS **will not** offer concessions
- Please stay home if you are sick.

We are looking forward to watching our student-athletes learn and grow as they compete. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support in following the protocols and expectations that have been put into place to allow our student-athletes opportunities.

Sincerely,

Sharon Springs CSD Superintendent
In Cooperation with the Tri-Valley League Superintendents
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