

St. Jude Athletic Association

St. Jude Catholic Church / St. Jude Parish
19704 Johnson Road
South Bend, IN 46614

2007-2008 Officers

President: **David Deranek**
Athletic Director: **John Henry**
Treasurer: **Pat Moran**

August, 2007

Dear Parents of St. Jude Falcon Athletes,

Welcome to another exciting year of St. Jude School Athletics! We hope everyone is well rested from the summer and eager to begin another year of learning, practicing, playing, and ICCL competition.

As you know, the St. Jude Athletic Association is an entirely self-funded organization. The funds for operating the sports programs have originated from the annual family membership fee and the Notre Dame Football Concession stand. This year the fee schedule will be the same as last year. The following are the fees to participate in sports at St. Jude:

- An annual family membership fee of \$65 per family per year (due at once – at the beginning of the school year).
- Working two assignments at the Notre Dame Football Concession Stand (per family). If your family works a third assignment or more, the \$65 family fee will be waived!!

The \$65 annual family membership fee should be paid **on or before Parent Night in September.** If you cannot be present at the meeting, please mail your membership fee ASAP to:

Pat Moran – Treasurer of St. Jude Athletics
19680 Old Ridge Road
South Bend IN 46614

Make your check payable to: **St. Jude Athletic Association**

It is important that we receive this membership fee. *Children will not be allowed to participate in the St. Jude sports programs until the fee is paid.*

Notre Dame Football Concession Stand

The primary fund-raising activity for the Athletic Association is the Notre Dame Football Concession Stand for all home football games. Each family must work at the concession stand for two (or more) N.D. football game assignments. This can be fulfilled by one parent for two games, two parents @ one game, or a parent and child (16-years or older, this is a Notre Dame mandated rule.) If a family does not work a minimum of two (2) assignments, a fee will be assessed the family at the rate of **\$75** per missed assignment. **If a family does not work their assignment or pay the assessment fee, your child will not be permitted to participate in sports at St. Jude.** Hardship cases will be responsible for finding their own substitutes. Please do not call the Athletic Association Fundraising Director to find a substitute or ask to be an exception.

Since we need between 30 and 35 people to staff the stand each game, we will also welcome any other St. Jude parishioners who are able to work! Please pass the word – many hands make light work! Also, all hours worked count towards the St. Jude service hour's commitment.

Also...

There are sign-up sheets for all sports. Fall sports that begin early (such as football, softball and soccer) are usually out at the end of the school year. There will be sheets out for other winter and spring sports. Should there be any question pertaining to these, please contact our Athletic Director, John Henry.

As our Vice President, John Henry is also the head of our Coaches' Committee. This committee is responsible for soliciting coaches, reviewing coaching applications, filling coaching positions as well as mediating any issues that may arise with a coach. Parents are strongly encouraged to review any issue they may have with a coach in person and privately. Should this not satisfactorily resolve any issue, the Vice President should then be contacted to review the situation and intervene as required. This is a confidential process that usually mitigates the situation. In extreme cases when this does not, a Coaches' Committee meeting is called, which includes Board officers. All proceedings are confidential.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support of the St. Jude Athletic Programs. Please remember that every parent / guardian who has a child on a St. Jude athletic team is automatically a member of the Athletic Association. The Athletic Association meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Community Room. We welcome your attendance and input into the sports programs at St. Jude! Voting privileges at these meetings are granted to those that attend three (3) consecutive meetings. We hope to see you there.

Many thanks,

David Deranek

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President – St. Jude Athletic Association

St. Jude 2007~08 Athletic Association Board

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