

HOLY TRINITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

**50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**2012 SHAMROCK TOURNAMENT**

October 17, 2011

**Dear Athletic Directors:**

With school starting, it is time to begin making plans for the 2012 Shamrock Tournament. This year's tournament, which happens to be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary will take place February 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>. For teams from outside the Charlotte area the first games will not begin until Friday afternoon of February 17<sup>th</sup>.

As always, we are sure this season's tournament will continue the great tradition of past years. Remember the focus of the weekend is to come together for **BASKETBALL, PRAYER AND FRIENDSHIP**. We ask that you stress this to your coaches and parents.

The tournament format will be the same as last year's. We will have one girl's bracket and two boys'. All brackets will be single elimination; with each team guaranteed at least two games. To be eligible, the team must consist of the same players throughout the entire season and is a 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade or combined 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade team. 6<sup>th</sup> grade teams are not eligible to play.

The tournament is run using the rules of the Federation of High School Athletics and several special additions that will be explained before the start of play. Please make your team familiar with these rules if you do not use them in your league.

Several other requirements are listed below:

- **A team roster, signed by the Principal, Priest or Athletic Director, must be submitted by the application deadline. The team you enter must be the team that plays together during the regular season.**
- **Players must meet the eligibility requirements of the parish or school.**
- **Players must be enrolled in the parish or school.**
- **Players may not be in the ninth grade or older than 15 years of age.**
- **Decisions of the game officials are final.**

This year we will again include a **Cheerleader Exhibition** in the afternoon on Saturday. Plans are to have all the cheerleading squads assemble in one gym to perform their best cheers for the crowd. We will provide more details on this event as soon as the game schedules are established.

Trophies will be awarded to the **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>** place teams. An **All-Tournament** team will also be selected. It will be comprised of two members of each of the participating team. Team coaches will make selections for their team.

The entry fee for the tournament is **\$150** per team entered. This fee and team roster (*You must email me the roster in Excel*) must be received by **January 26, 2012** in order to secure a spot in the tournament. This is very important since much planning is necessary to insure gyms and officials are available. Please make checks payable to: Holy Trinity Athletic Association : Mail the check and application to me at the address below. **Again, the deadline is January 26, 2011. If you don't meet the deadline, your teams may lose the chance to participate.**

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We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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