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Dear Parents of Coronado High School Athletes,

Providing a positive athletic experience for our children is a challenge for school administrators and parents alike. Among those challenges are rapidly climbing costs.

As a result there will be a required athletic registration fee again this year. The fee for 2008-09 will be \$110 (which is the same as last year's fee) for the first sport played by a student-athlete; an additional \$110 for the second sport played by the same student; with no fee charged for a student's third sport. These fees apply to Varsity, Junior Varsity and Frosh/Soph levels of play and are primarily used to cover transportation expenses and game fees paid to officials.

Over the past 17 years, district funding at CHS for sports-specific equipment (balls, bats, uniforms, etc.) has not increased, while the number of sports sharing the funding has risen. With the additions of new interscholastic sports in recent years, the funding 'pie' which has not grown, is actually smaller by the time it reaches each coach.

The Islander Sports Foundation serves as the collector of the athletic registration fees and receives a portion of the fee to offset administrative expenses. The ISF works to directly assist the Coronado High School sports teams with the funding they need to remain successful and competitive.

Recent projects undertaken by the ISF include operating the snack bar concession at the home sporting contests at CHS; we run the Coronado Middle School sports program, which is growing by leaps and bounds in recent years; we help manage and provide the volunteer support for the annual Independence Day 15K Run, 5K Run/Walk event; we provide the letters earned by our varsity athletes and the championship banners in the CHS Gymnasium.

On behalf of the ISF's Board of Directors, comprised of a parent volunteer from each CHS varsity sports program and CMS parent reps, we would like to encourage you to donate to the Islander Sports Foundation. Collectively we feel that participation in sports is an important and valuable component of the educational experience.

If you have any questions regarding the ISF or our programs, I will be on hand during registration, or please contact me at the phone number or E-mail address listed above.

Best Regards,

David A. Axelson  
Chief Executive Officer