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Hi all,

I hope that this letter finds everyone healthy and safe. As we adjust to this new normal with social distancing we know that it can sometimes feel like social isolation – if any athletes needs anything please do not hesitate to contact any one of us coaches. We are still here for you.

We have some news on the returning of items and the awarding of varsity letters/pins.

Uniform Collection: All spring sports have been assigned a day and time for uniform collection. This is the only allotted time that we have to accomplish this so it is important that you make every effort to adhere to this time frame. A communication from MHS will be sent out shortly with dates and times as well, the passage below is taken from that communication.

Athletic Equipment/Uniform Return

1. Your coach should be contacting you with specifics of what items your student needs to return and check-in. Their coach will be present to collect and properly check items in.
 - o **All athletes will need to turn in the following:**
 - **Uniform top**
 - **Uniform shorts**
 - **Pull over with embroidered MHS T&F Logo**
 - **Long compression leggings (girls, if applicable)**
 - **Short compression spandex (boys, if applicable)**
2. Please arrive at your scheduled time (see below) and adhere to appropriate social distancing measures while on campus.
3. Collection will occur in front of the Tiger Pride Gym - Please enter campus through the student parking lot gate in front of the gym.
4. If your student needs to retrieve items from a PE/Athletic locker, they will be able to access either the Tiger Pride Gym or the Alumni Gym at this time under guidance and direction from school staff.

PE Lockers & items retrieval: There is a separate time to come and retrieve personal items from school lockers. The following information is taken from the MHS communication.

PE Lockers - Personal Item Pick and Lock Return

1. Students who are enrolled in a PE class were assigned a locker and a lock at the start of the year/semester that must be returned. They also may have personal items in their locker that need to be removed and taken home.
2. Please arrive at your scheduled time (see below) and adhere to appropriate social distancing measures while on campus.
3. Please enter campus through the white gate next to the Front Office - you may park in the bus loop. A staff member will be present to direct you to your location.
4. A staff member will be present to collect their lock and supervise their retrieval items.

Athletic Equipment Return			PE Item Pickup & Lock Check In		
Date	Sport	Arrival Time by Last Name	Date	Teacher	Arrival Time by Last Name
Friday	Track	9:00 - 9:30 am: A - G	Wednesday	Dozier	11:00 - 12:00 pm: A - G

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April 17th		9:30 - 10:00 am: H - O 10:00 - 10:30 am: P - V 10:30 - 11:00 am: W - Z	April 15th		12:00 - 1:00 pm: H - O 1:00 - 2:00 pm: P - V 2:00 - 3:00 pm: W - Z
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If you are in PE also, you can come to the track uniform session to turn in uniform items and you will be allowed to collect your PE locker items and turn in your lock. However, if you come to the PE session for PE items and locks you will have to come back on Friday to turn in uniforms. So if you're trying to make only one trip, make it Friday.

Varsity letters/pins: Given that our season was cut short we had to use a different, unique method to determine letter winners. That process is detailed in the next few paragraphs. Let me be the first to say that this is not a perfect method and of course we tried to take into account injuries and illnesses prior to the close of the season – however, there is no substitute for pure competition. Anytime that we get involved there are bound to be mistakes and misses. While we could have left it alone and awarded letters to those that had amassed the required point totals through our first three meets that didn't seem fair to those athletes that would have amassed the totals throughout the season.

We participated in three meets, one of which was an invitational (more pts possible). Since the MHS last chance meet is non scoring, only PRs count in that one, we have 12 scoring meets. So we multiplied the total points athletes had earned thus far through three meets by four; thereby simulating a 12 meet season. All yellow highlights had already amassed 10 pts prior to the cancellation of the season. All gray highlights are the adjusted closure marks.

Then we went through the list and awarded letters to athletes that were injured or sick during those three meets preventing them from competing at all or in their normal volume of events. These athletes included previous letter winners, athletes that would have been in the running for spots at invitationals, athlete that performed at the top during practice sessions, etc. One specific example is be an athlete that is a three-year letter winner, competitor at the state meet in all three previous years, school record holder, but was injured and had yet to compete – this athlete, despite having earned zero points to date, is awarded a varsity pin.

As stated earlier – there is no substitution for pure competition in that our process is normally brutally fair. Either you earned the points or you did not. Using this method is needed for the vast majority of athletes that normally have an entire season to earn points; however, we are bound to make mistakes. If you feel we have made a mistake and you should be awarded a letter/pin, please do not hesitate to contact me. Present your case and I will discuss it with the other coaches. I cannot promise that your status will change, but I can promise that we will look at your marks and listen to your case if you really feel like we missed the mark on you.

If you have previously earned a letter in any sport you will receive a track pin. If this is your first letter in any sport you will receive an actual letter.

The website will have the letter awards under the announcements page.

<http://www.maranatrackandfield.com/announcements>

As always please do not hesitate to contact me with questions. I'll see you next week.

Sincerely,

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