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Date: May 25, 2009  
To: All prospective SUNY Oneonta Student-Athletes  
From: Tracey Ranieri, Director of Athletics  
Subject: Athletic Physical Clearance, Health Insurance and Equipment Issue

Congratulations! You have been identified by your coach as a prospective student-athlete and I welcome you to our Oneonta Athletic Family. The fall semester will be here before you know it and I am writing to give you important information that must be completed in order for you to begin practice. We have a deep athletic tradition and are proud of our athlete's commitment to excellence. As I am sure you are aware, this year we were able to capture another NCAA National Championship, this time in the 4x400 relay in men's indoor track and field. We look forward to your contributions to our athletic programs and will do all that we can to make your experience extraordinary.

There are two specific items that I would like to bring to your attention that will help you prepare for athletic participation:

**I. Athletic Physicals and Health Insurance:**

Please refer to the enclosed letter which addresses these two very important aspects of athletic participation. It is a requirement for all athletes to have athletic physicals with their home physician, as explained in the enclosed letter. It is important that athletes recognize that they will not be able to practice or be issued equipment without:

- a. A completed "Health Report"
- b. An athletic physical clearance, verified by your home physician
- c. If taking ADHD or ADD medication, a completed ADHD Medication Exemption Form
- d. Medical Insurance Form (College insurance is available in case you are not covered by another plan)

Upon receipt of these forms by the athletic trainer, athletes will be allowed to practice with their teams and will be issued a locker, lock, towel and appropriate equipment.

**II. Athletic Equipment Issue Policy:**

- a. Athletic equipment will only be issued to athletes who have their health history forms on file at the health center, have been cleared for participation by their home physician and have their primary insurance coverage form completed
- b. General equipment available for issue includes socks, T-shirts, shorts, sweat suits and towel. These items will be laundered for you on a daily basis
- c. Sport-specific athletic equipment (i.e., lacrosse helmets, field hockey shin guards, wrestling knee pads) and team uniforms will also be issued on the same basis
- d. Athletes are personally responsible for the equipment they are issued
  - 1) Athletes are to return all issued equipment within **one week** after the completion of their season
  - 2) If any equipment is not returned within one week, a hold will be placed on the athlete's campus records until the equipment is either returned or paid for and no additional equipment will be issued
  - 3) An ADDITIONAL \$10.00 FEE FOR LATE RETURN of equipment will be charged to anyone who has a hold placed on his/her records
  - 4) Students will be charged for the full value of the equipment if not returned within 30 days

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call my office at 607-436-3594 or contact any coach. All phone numbers and email addresses are located on our web site;

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