

Hello Gentlemen,

I am working on finalizing our athletic schedules and venues for next year's Plano Middle School athletics programs. As we have done the past 2 years, we would like to continue with the tradition of hosting our 3 Plano Middle School home cross country meets at Foli Park. We love hosting our cross country meets at Foli Park last fall and are hoping we can continue doing that again this upcoming fall (if COVID restrictions allow at that time, of course). We will follow the same usage, health, and safety procedures that we have done and currently follow for our events on district grounds, which are the IDPH/IHSA health and safety guidelines. We are happy to comply with whatever policies and limitations the state/federal government and the city require of us as well. In terms of setup, it will remain the same as we have done in the past, with us going out the afternoon of each meet, putting up the flag markers used for the course, and using some minimal field marking paint to mark some course directional arrows in the grass. None of what we use to set the course up has a negative impact on the landscape or environment, and all will be removed at the conclusion of each meet each evening.

As of now, those dates of cross country meets would be August 23rd, September 2nd, and September 20th. All meets would run from approximately 4-6:30 pm. Based on previous years, I do not feel like the park needs to be closed down just for us. I know that the topic of doing that came up at a council meeting in the past, but it wasn't an issue and things went just fine without doing that. And as before, we will establish a traffic and parking pattern that allows for parking of cars and busses at the school up the hill. But again, I don't feel as though closing the park will be necessary because the format of our course and how it's run would not impede or be impeded by others using the park.

Please let me know if we are okay to proceed with doing this. I will also provide you with the school's insurance policy information as I have done in the past; I am just waiting for our District Office to send that to me.

Thank you so much for your time and for helping us offer great opportunities, such as this one, for our children.

Respectfully,

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