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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This information is in regards to our athletic training services, specifically concerning insurance and the issue with UPMC and Highmark. As always, the Keystone Oaks School District works hard to provide quality athletic training services and has the goal to maintain a safe environment for our student athletes. Therefore, I want to be clear about what the District offers and what you should be aware of in the unfortunate case that your child has to see a doctor because of an athletic injury.

The Keystone Oaks School District’s contract with UPMC is for athletic training services only. It does not include any stipulation for doctor visits or medical care at any facility.

Before you take your child to see any medical professional regardless of injury, you should verify whether or not your insurance will cover the medical services.

Although our trainers work for UPMC, they will be more than happy to follow up with any doctor and help support any physical therapy that is necessary based on the injury.

I believe it is very important moving forward with the changes that are occurring within health care that you are vigilant in making sure that whatever doctor you choose to see will be covered by your insurance carrier. Again, please remember that the Keystone Oaks School District does not cover these expenses. It will be important for you to go to a doctor that your insurance will cover.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 412-571-6046.

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