Seventh and Eighth Grade Sports Choices Please return by **Friday, May 17** to SMA's Middle School Office

St. Mary's Academy offers an array of interscholastic sports. Students can request to play a sport in place of taking a physical education class by designating a first, second, third and fourth choice in order of preference. For example, if basketball is your absolute favorite of all of the sports listed, please choose basketball first. Once the rosters are full, beginning with the placement of first, second and finally third or fourth choices, students are added as alternates. Students who are not placed on a team or do not elect to play a sport in a given trimester are enrolled in a P.E. class, which focuses on life sports, community, and character.

Important: Parents and students are strongly encouraged to give serious consideration to the commitment and dedication required of student athletes who elect to play on a school team. Being part of a team requires consistent presence at practices and games. **Please do not sign up to play on a team if you are in doubt about your availability.** If you sign up for a sport and discover later that you cannot commit, a request to drop must be received by the following dates. After these dates, with exceptions for health/injury, students who signed up to play on the team continue to attend practices and as many games as possible.

July 1, 2019 ~ Due date for requesting any sport changes for Trimester 1 Oct. 1, 2019 ~ Due date for requesting any sport changes for Trimester 2 Dec. 13, 2019 ~ Due date for requesting any sport changes for Trimester 3

The practice sessions for sports take place before lunch or during the last period of the day. Teams practicing before lunch extend the practice session by ten minutes and athletes in the ninth block are dismissed until 3:30 p.m. Games and meets are scheduled after school, and each team usually plays one, and on occasion, two games in a week. The coach may transport players in an activity bus when games are scheduled off campus. Additionally, volunteer and vetted parent drivers may be asked to help transport team members.

Please return this form to the middle school office via scan or in person: Ellen Hertzman, ehertzman@smanet.org on or before Frday, May 17, 2018. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mary Kolbach, Associate Athletic Director, at 303-762-8300 x296 or mkolbach@smanet.org. Please indicate sports choices in the order of preference and not in order of trimester.

CO-ED	BOYS	GIRLS
T1-X-Country Running T1-Golf (\$150 fee) T1-Tennis	T1-Soccer T2-Basketball T3-Baseball T3-Lacrosse	T1-Volleyball T1-Field Hockey T2-Basketball T2-Dance T3-Lacrosse T3-Soccer

3rd Choice	
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Student's name (printed & legible)	& grade 2019-2020