SIXTH GRADE SPORTS CHOICES Please return by **Friday**, **May 17** to SMA's Middle School Office

St. Mary's Academy offers sixth-grade students the opportunity to play one or more interscholastic sports. Students request to play a sport in place of taking physical education by designating a first, second, third and fourth choice in order of overall 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 all first, then 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 sixth-grade 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. Well in advance of the season, coaches are hired and assigned and the season's schedule is set. If you sign up for a sport now and discover later that you cannot commit, a request to drop must be received by the following dates. After these dates, with exception for health/injury, please know, students who signed up to play the sport continue to attend practices/games.

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 sixth-grade athletic teams also take place first or second period. Games and meets are scheduled after school. For sixth grade, volunteer and vetted parent drivers are often needed to transport teams to games.

Please return this form to the middle school office via scan or in person: Ellen Hertzman, <u>ehertzman@smanet.org</u> on or before Friday, May 17, 2019. For questions, please contact Mary Kolbach, Associate Athletic Director, at 303-762-8300 x296 or <u>mkolbach@smanet.org</u>. Please indicate sports choices <u>in the order of preference and not in order of trimester</u>.

Boy's sports: <u>Trimester I</u> Soccer, Cross-Country Running <u>Trimester II</u> Basketball

Girl's sports: <u>Trimester I</u> Volleyball, Cross-Country Running, MS Field Hockey; <u>Trimester II</u> Basketball; <u>Trimester III</u> Lacrosse

1st Choice	
2nd Choice	
3rd Choice	
4th Choice	

Student's name (printed & legible)	& grade 2019-2020
Parent's name (printed)	(parent signed as approval)