

Mooresville Schools and Franciscan St. Francis Health Announce Athletic and Sports Medicine Partnership



Mooresville, IN – Franciscan St. Francis Health and the Mooresville School Board have approved a 3-year agreement through which the Mooresville High School Athletic Department will gain opportunities to enhance the student-athlete experience and provide better coverage and services for athletic training needs.

Under the terms of the agreement, Mooresville will receive additional athletic training and sports medicine services from Franciscan St. Francis Health to assist Mooresville Athletic Trainer Fred LaPlante and the 19 varsity sports programs. The agreement also provides support for other Pioneer athletic,

academic and health-related programs in exchange for exclusive Healthcare Partnership rights and prominent sponsorship opportunities on scoreboards and game signage for Pioneer athletic facilities.

“We are thankful to St. Francis for this commitment, which will enrich and enhance our student athletic and health programs,” said David E. Marcotte, Superintendent of Mooresville Schools. “This is a win-win partnership which will maximize our school and community resources. This is an example of wise stewardship for the benefit of our students and our greater Mooresville community.”

The sponsorship will allow Mooresville to focus investments on athletic facilities, enhancing the athletic experience for all those who attend Mooresville athletic events.

“We are delighted to extend our ministry, in partnership with Mooresville Schools, by supporting the athletic training program. It is a privilege to care for the student athletes of Mooresville,” said Peter Murphy, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Franciscan St. Francis Health in Mooresville.



The additional sports medicine event coverage will continue to support Mooresville student athletes for all varsity and junior varsity sports. Sports medicine is a medical specialty that applies medical and scientific knowledge to prevent, recognize, manage and rehabilitate injuries related to athletic activity. The athletic trainers placed from Franciscan St. Francis Health will be certified and licensed athletic trainers (ATC/LAT) and are highly skilled sports medicine professionals. Led by sports physicians Dr. Robyn Fean and Dr. Robert Malinzak, they will assist with the care and prevention of athletic injury for Mooresville student athletes and serve as the liaison between Mooresville head athletic trainer Fred LaPlante, physicians and coaches.

Franciscan St. Francis Health is a local resource to Mooresville Schools and the entire community. St. Francis will also offer on-demand access to nursing guidance, training & education resources, annual competencies, and physician oversight & phone access for issues that school nurses.

“This partnership is a natural extension of our relationship with the community and we are very thankful for the opportunity to partner with Franciscan St. Francis,” said Zach Errett, Director of Athletics at Mooresville. “This partnership will create assistance for our head athletic trainer and it will enhance the athletic experience for our student athletes and fans.”

The partnership between St. Francis and Mooresville Schools will begin the 2014-15 academic year. Mooresville High School is a full IHSAA member and a part of the Mid-State Conference.

PHOTOS- Top: Peter Murphy, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Franciscan St. Francis Health in Mooresville, presents information about the agreement to the Mooresville School Board. Middle: Superintendent David Marcotte, School Board Members Randy Davis and Perry King, Peter Murphy and Christopher DiGuisto of Franciscan St. Francis Health, School Board President Dr. Bill Roberson, School Board Members Dave Oberle and Mark Meadows.