Cheyenne County Hospital/Health Department

Vision: "To Promote a Healthy Community through our Commitment to Quality Patient Care"

April 2016,

TO: Parents/Guardians of USD#297 Students

FROM: Mila Bandel, RN County Health Nurse

SUBJECT: 2016-2017 Sports Physicals

The Cheyenne County Clinic and Health Department will be conducting sports physicals for the **2016-2017 school year** at the Saint Francis Community High School on Friday, May 6, 2016. The physicals will be **free of charge** while conducted at the school. If your child does not take part in the "during school" physicals for some reason and wants to make an appointment at the clinic, then you will be charged a clinic visit and the physical will be conducted at the clinic.

Attached to this letter you will find the current Pre-Participating Physical Evaluation and Concussion/Head Injury Release form. Your child must bring all of these forms back to school *COMPLETED and SIGNED* prior to their physical examination on May 6, 2106. NO EXECEPTIONS!! Your child will not have the examination without the proper signed forms. The Kansas State High School Activities Association handbook on page 24; Rule# 7 states: "No student is eligible to represent any school in interschool athletics, spirit or spirit competition groups until there is on file with superintendent or principal, a statement certifying that the student has passed an adequate physical examination and is physically fit to participate in interschool athletics, spirit or spirit competition groups."

The Kansas Legislature in the 2011 Session enacted the following law: "A school athlete may not participate in any sport competition or practice session unless such athlete and the athlete's parent or guardian have signed, and returned to the school, a concussion and head injury information release form. A release form shall be signed and returned each school year that a student athlete participates in sport competitions or practice sessions."

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the sports physicals, please contact the Cheyenne County Health Department at 785-332-2381. Thank you for your cooperation.

