

## Activities Director Report November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### News/Notes:

- As of today, we are in a holding pattern with winter sports. We are awaiting guidance from Governor Walz and the MSHSL. Stay tuned.

### Athletics/Activities Updates:

- **Football:** The Ranger football team finished the regular season with a 1-5 record. They did however win their first playoff game Tuesday night at International Falls (Brrr!) 38-22. The Rangers now advance to the Section 7AA finals Friday/Saturday against Mesabi East. The game is scheduled to be played at Proctor's field. Game pending Governor Walz' announcement.
- **Volleyball:** The Ranger volleyball team's record currently stands at 3-9 on the season. They recently picked up a nice 3-0 win over Pillager on Monday, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. The Rangers remaining scheduled games are Thursday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> at Upsala and Monday, Nove. 23<sup>rd</sup> at Pequot Lakes. Section playoffs for volleyball at this time are also pending the announcement from the Governor.

I would like to personally thank all of the people who helped make our fall seasons possible for our athletes.

- I would like to thank the school board and other district administrators for their support of our athletes and programs.
- I would like to thank the event workers who worked within the required guidelines, put themselves at risk, and went out of their way to help make our events happen. This includes the numerous officials that went above and beyond to officiate our events this fall, at all levels.
- Thank you to our office staff for fielding numerous phone calls and helping navigate the challenges of tickets for our events.
- To the parents, thank you for your patience and support this fall. Despite all the last minute schedule changes and the restrictions on fans, your support has not wavered.
- Thank you to all our coaches. Your patience, resiliency, and leadership with our athletes this fall has been outstanding. This season was taxing on many of our teacher coaches that were working longer hours than ever before. Please know that you made an impact on your athletes this fall and helped provide life-long memories for them. Thank you for your dedication to C-I.
- Lastly, thank you to all of our Ranger student-athletes. This fall has been a rollercoaster of emotions for many of you. However, through it all, your spirit and passion for your sport and your teams showed through. While the seasons were shorter and the cheers were a little quieter, you made the most of it without complaint. I enjoyed watching you compete. I enjoyed watching you laugh and smile with your teammates. With uncertainties and unknowns surrounding the winter and spring seasons, please know that we will be here to help you get through it. YOU are the reason we get out of bed every day and continue to promote the great opportunities and experiences that go with educational-based athletics. Go C-I Go!!

Respectfully submitted,

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