Parents of Middle School Athletes:

In an effort to ensure that coaches are aware of your plans for getting your student-athletes home from either practice or competition, we would like to institute the steps described below.

This is simply to help coaches release players to appropriate individuals for transportation.

For competitions outside of Gallatin Valley, the existing protocols still apply. The parent or guardian must fill out and submit an alternative travel request form. The individual driving the student-athlete must also complete the vehicle usage form. This protocol has long been in place.

For practices and competitions within the valley, we understand that many of you often rely on carpools and family friends to get those athletes home from the sites. We want to make sure those athletes are leaving with an approved adult.

We would like you to inform the coaches of your athlete about those plans, and there are several ways to do so:

- 1. Coaches will be required to use the Remind 101 app for team communications. This app allows parents to message coaches directly. So, one method is to simply send a remind message to the relevant coach indicating the travel plans.
- 2. You can email the coach directly or you can email James Maxwell at james.maxwell@bsd7.org with that information and he will pass it along to the coaches.
- 3. You can text Mr. Maxwell at 595-0108 and he will pass that information along to the coaches.

Again, this is new protocol for practice and competition within the valley.