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Re: Youth Sports Safety Alliance Membership

Dear Ellen,

I am writing to lend my support for the mission and "Call to Action" of the Youth Sports Safety Alliance. I believe this is a fantastic initiative and want to assure our organization is a part of your efforts to create the safest possible environment for our youth.

Our CYO creates youth sports opportunities for over 5,300 children ages 8-18 in our area parishes and schools. With sports such as Cross Country, Football, Volleyball, Basketball and Track & Field, as well as other camps and programs throughout the year, we are dedicated to assuring the safety of our participants and the continuing excellence of youth sports programs that support the right values for our children. By collaborating with local Athletic Trainers to provide in-game support for our contests and camps, as well as local equipment suppliers to assure the use of safe equipment that fits right, and by working with local doctors and educators to provide resources that promote safety, we strive each day to exemplify the tenants of your call to action. In addition, we are currently working with world class physicians to develop a comprehensive resource and plan on our website for mitigating and managing concussions in the current sports environment. Our goal is to be a leader in promoting <u>safe</u> and character driven youth sports for children in the Kansas City area.

I was thrilled to learn that your alliance exists and promotes the same actions and focus that we strive locally to promote. We are grateful for your leadership in providing resources and holding an annual summit. I pledge our full support of your initiative and look forward to being a part of an alliance that promotes safety in the games we all love, for the children we love.

Regards,

Peter Piscitello

Executive Director, CYO