Dear BV Track & Field Parents:

The Bella Vista Track & Field Team has consistently grown in the last few years, with a steady increase in both the quantity and quality of athletes competing. For the spring 2024 season, we have signed up 175+ athletes so far. Unfortunately, the San Juan Unified School District only provides funding for four (4) coaches for the entire program. Four (4) coaches are not enough for 175 athletes, and the many specialties of Track & Field including sprinting, hurdling, long jump, high jump, pole vault, throwing, middle distance running, and long-distance running. Thus, we are asking for your help. While the Track & Field program has no required fees, the San Juan Unified School District will allow the Track & Field program to hire more coaches if funds to cover their salaries are raised and donated by the corresponding booster club. The BV Track & Field Booster Club will continue its current fundraising by hosting track meets and operating snack bars, but those funds alone are not enough to hire more coaching staff. Therefore, **we are asking each family to donate $125 to the Booster Club to provide stipends for the additional coaches and help with other team costs** including entrance fees, uniform purchases, and equipment replacement. If you've participated in other sports, you know that $125 is a very low amount to ask for. Your donation is tax deductible, as the Booster Club is registered as a non-profit.

Donations can be made by cash or check payable to Bella Vista Track Booster Club (BV T BC). Please write your athlete's name on the memo line if writing a check and/or attach the form below with your payment. Donations can be turned in at the parent meeting on **February 28**, paid online via our website bvtrack.com (select the donation button), or finally you can mail your donation to our treasurer, Melissa Hymas at 4700 Hillcrest Ave, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. ***Additionally, those who pay their donation by the 28th, will be given a FREE water bottle sticker (not available for purchase).***

We also want to highlight that we have a Distance Carnival and a Bronco Speed Festival in March and we host the Sacramento Meet of Champions in April. These are large events, and we need all the volunteers we can get to make these meets successful. **We do ask that parents sign up to volunteer at least 2 hours to help with these events**. We also have a few other conference and section events hosted at BV, where we also need volunteers to help. You can sign up online to help at each of these events at bvtrack.com under Parents & Boosters Track & Field Volunteer Sign Up Page. Those who sign up for each event & complete their volunteering will be entered into a raffle for a gift card, presented at the end of the year party.

We do hope every family helps support our dedicated coaches, our Distance & Invitational, and this excellent Track & Field program. We hope to see you at the Parent meeting on **Wednesday February 28 at 6:30 pm**.

See you at the track!

BV Track & Field and XC Booster Club

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