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Dear Math Teacher:

Math Field Day is next Tuesday and we want everyone to have a positive experience.

Remember to have each student bring his/her number on a 3 x 5 card to enter it on his/her score sheet. One of the biggest headaches is having students enter incorrect data! Note: The computer discards a student's score if this number is not entered correctly on the examination answer sheet or if more than one student uses the same number.

Students should be at the south doors of the SIUC Arena about 9:15 a.m. so that all students can be seated before we begin distributing exam materials at 9:45 a.m. The examination will last from 10 to noon.

Attached is a sample scantron for this year. Notice the numbering system is different from previous years. The first half of the scantron is answers 1-50. Answers 51-67 should be coded on the bottom half of the scantron. Please make sure students leave a space between Last Name and First Name on the scantron.

Please encourage your students to stay the entire time to look over questions again. Sometimes an idea will come to you after some time is spent on a problem. Remember students may not leave before 11 a m

Pencils will not be furnished. Each student should bring a supply of pencils with #2 lead. No electronic devices or calculators can be used. No cell phones allowed! Any student seen with an electronic device after entering the arena will automatically be disqualified.

The Teachers' Program will be in the Arena – Boydston Center Room 189, Tedrick Auditorium and will begin at 10:30 a.m. Refreshments will be available at 9:30 a.m. Volunteers will be in the Arena to help you find this room.

The Sophomore/Junior Lunch/Reception will also be in the Arena at the First Mid America Saluki Lounge (Room 30) from 12-1 p.m. Pizza will be served with fun math games and prizes. After taking the exam, all students attending the reception should get a registration card from the tables in the Arena. Bring the card to the reception for the drawings.

All other students will be free from noon until the Award Ceremony at 2:00 p.m. Students may buy lunch at the Student Center food court. The Awards program will be held in the Arena.

Buses and cars for Math Field Day at the Arena should enter campus from Route 51 South at the intersection of Saluki Drive and Route 51. At the first stop sign (at the intersection of Saluki Drive and Arena Drive):

- Cars or vans should turn left on Arena Drive and then turn left to park in Lot 56.
- Note: Cars or vans wanting to drop off students at the Arena should follow the bus instructions below.
- Buses may turn right to drop off students at the Arena. Once unloaded, buses should proceed south on Arena Drive to Lot 56 (located south of Saluki Drive).

Please note that parking in Lot 56 will be free for participants and buses; however, parking in the circular lot (Lot 18) immediately south of the arena requires a SIU parking decal or guest parking hangtag. No buses are allowed to park in Lot 18.

For the convenience of your participants and bus drivers, a color-coded pdf-format parking map of campus is available for printing at the Department of Public Safety website http://parking.siu.edu/common/files/park-map-only-2016-7.pdf

We are looking for an exciting day!

Thank you,

Kathy Pericak-Spector Chair, Math Field Day Professor and Vice Chair

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