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Ms. Devries,

I would take a moment to express my concerns with you. I hope you will be open to my thoughts and understand that I don't know the things you deal with on your end. I also hope that you find no ill will in the expressing of my disagreements. I have great problems with the mandates of Title IX. I am in complete agreement with equality for girls and guys which is what I thought the essence of Title IX was about. Our schedule this year was not done by the current staff here but the former administrator. When told we were in non compliance I was bothered by it. I understand why we were in noncompliance, according to the mandates, and will not make excuse for that. But looking at our schedule, the girls and guys play the same number of Friday or Sat. night games. Then being told to cancel a boys home game which is our Homecoming which accomplishes nothing and being told to pay that school a forfeit fee to not come to our school and play makes no sense. This doesn't seem to be about Title IX. The contract is between us and the other school, not with the KHSAA. Telling a team they **will play** on Fri. or Sat. seems to be over doing it.

I guess I would understand wanting the girls to play the prime time. I have yet to find in this region a girls coach or players who want to wait till 7:30 just because they have too. Which is worse, playing at 6:00 for a couple hundred people or starting a game at 7:30 and noticing the numbers of people who left during the game. I have had two different coaches tell me that has happened. If the boys play on one Sat. then the girls should too. If a school wants to play most of it's game on M, Tues., Thurs. as long as it is equal why not? It's sounds more like we want to **make people** watch girls basketball than to make things equal for both guys and girls. It seems in a effort to make things equal its been overdone. Thank you Ms. Devries for letting me express myself. I respect the KHSAA what it does for Ky. sports. I don't wish to digress with Title IX, but I wish someone would reconsider the mandate positions the KHSAA has taken on the subject.

Sincerely,

Rhet McMullen

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