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#### Memorandum from the desk of James Snyder

**Date:** July 31, 2017

**To:** Loring Arena Teams, Coaches, and Parents

**Subject:** Loring Arena Temporary Conditions for the 2017-2018 Season

As you may know, the Loring Arena Renovation project is well underway. With the 2017-2018 season rapidly approaching, I would like to provide users with some important information related to arena operations for the coming season. As a result of ongoing construction at the site, arena users will experience temporary conditions related to:

**Arena access/egress** - The main public access to the arena for public skating, stick time, and ticketed events will be at the front of the rink, via the northeast side of the building. This is the set of doors that used to be just outside the entrance to locker room A and closest to the basketball court. We encourage players to continue using the current “player entrance” at the rear of the building.

**Public restrooms, skate shop, and arena administrative offices** - These services will be housed in two accessible trailers that will be adjacent to the main public entrance walkway.

**Locker/changing rooms** – Locker rooms formerly known as B, C, & D will be reconfigured as two locker rooms with dedicated toilet and shower facilities. The area under the length of the north grandstands, formerly known as Locker room X and Framingham State Storage, will be used as two changing rooms. These two areas will **not** have showers/toilets.

**Concessions** – There will be no arena concessions during the 2017-2018 season.

Based on the above, as well as the possibility of changing conditions during the season, we encourage parents to obtain a pair of skate guards for their players. Skate guards may come in handy when the players need to access public restrooms or the skate shop.

We understand that conditions this coming year will be less than ideal. That being said, the alternative was to close the arena for the upcoming season and seek ice time at alternate venues. Relocating our local users to surrounding facilities was a logistics challenge, increased cost of participation, and resulted in playing our “home” games elsewhere. We believe temporary conditions will be less burdensome.

The management staff remains committed to providing a safe and successful season and we seek your help and understanding in making that a reality. For additional information, please contact Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs at 508-532-5960.