## NORTH HUNTERDON HIGH SCHOOL

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August 1, 2014

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students:

On Friday, September 5, 2014 all North Hunterdon High School athletes will have the opportunity to attend a presentation through the Lions Leadership Academy. We are fortunate to have Jarrod Spencer, Psy.D. visit our school and speak to our athletes on the following topic: Better Choices: Underlying higher risk behaviors (substance abuse, hazing, and acts of aggression) are often moments of poor judgment. This program fosters ways to improve decision-making by understanding how the mind works best. This is the fourth year of Dr. Spencer's curriculum for our athletes.



Dr. Jarrod Spencer is a Sports Psychologist who is passionate about improving the emotional health of athletes. He is a trusted authority on the mind of today's athlete.

Individual teams will be scheduled throughout the day from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This program will teach student athletes how to make good choices in their lives. Dr. Spencer's communication style is positive, proactive, and results-focused.

Different programs will be presented for each athletic season throughout the school year. The "Mind of the Athlete" program will be placing a major focus on sports psychology content, goals, time management, team play, etc.

It is our sincere hope that between these activities and discussions you have with your children, we will be able to build a better understanding of the positive effects of team sports in a student's life and maintain an atmosphere of positive athletic comradery in our school and community.

If you have any questions regarding our planned activities, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Principal

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