SEATTLE UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

MEMORANDUM

TO: Seattle University Faculty

FROM: Isiaah Crawford, Ph.D.
Provost

DATE: 8/13/08

SUBJECT: **Student Athlete Attendance Policy**

I write at this time to remind you of the Seattle University policy that pertains to student athlete class attendance. As members of the faculty of the University our primary responsibility is to deliver strong academic programs to our students to promote their intellectual, social and spiritual development; concomitantly, we also recognize and value the contribution of athletics as a part of an integrated Jesuit Catholic education. In support of this perspective, the University developed, some time ago, the following policy that relates to classroom attendance and excused absences for students who are members of university athletic teams:

Student athletes are responsible for keeping up with class work, completing all assignments and attending class regularly. During their athletic season, student athletes are expected to plan ahead in regard to their academic and athletic responsibilities. This expectation includes introducing themselves to faculty as student athletes, and providing to faculty a schedule of away competitions.

Student athletes who have followed the above requirements are allowed excused absences when involved in intercollegiate athletic competition or in the travel required for away contests during their season. Away contests should not take student athletes away from classes for more than three class days at a time. Excused absences should not be granted for training or practices.

Thank you for your assistance in our efforts to ensure that our student athletes are supported in all aspects of their university involvement.