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Expansion Discovery Initiative

To: School Administrators, Athletic Directors and School Board Members

From: Bruce Bame, League Commissioner

Date: March 31, 2025

Subject: Explore Membership Opportunities with the Blanchard Valley Conference

Dear Colleagues,

The Blanchard Valley Conference is pleased to announce a significant development within our conference of schools starting the 26-27 school year. In alignment with our strategic goals to enhance competitive play and strengthen community relationships, we are exploring opportunities to expand our league from 9 football schools to 10, and Vanlue making it 11 in all other sports while replacing Liberty-Benton. This expansion presents a valuable opportunity for growth and collaboration, and we invite your institution to explore the potential benefits of joining our conference.

BVC League Expansion Initiative

The purpose of this initiative is to engage with schools that may be interested in becoming part of our expanded league. We believe your institution could contribute significantly to our conference and benefit from the opportunities this expansion affords.

Key Benefits of Joining the BVC

1. **Enhanced Competitive Environment:** Membership in the BVC will place your institution within a dynamic and competitive framework, fostering athletic excellence and providing your student-athletes with diverse and challenging opponents.
2. **Strengthened Community Engagement:** The BVC value robust community connections and local support. Joining our conference will integrate your school into a network

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that emphasizes school spirit and regional pride, offering meaningful interactions with neighboring institutions.

3. Access to Resources and Collaboration. As a member of the BVC, your school will gain access to a range of resources, including networking opportunities with other member schools, the exchange of best practices, and participation in collaborative initiatives designed to enhance overall athletic programs.

## Next Steps:

We invite you to consider the advantages of joining our expanded conference. To explore this opportunity further, please contact me at the information listed below with a formal letter expressing your interest in possibly joining our conference by April 22, 2025. Once we reached the deadline of April 22, we intend to reach out to interested schools to discuss scheduling informational meetings before delivering formal invitations to join the conference. The Blanchard Valley Conference is poised for a promising future, and we are excited about the prospect of including new schools in our league. This expansion is a pivotal moment for our conference, and we are confident it will bring substantial benefits to all participating institutions.

Thank you for considering this opportunity. We look forward to the possibility of collaborating to advance the goals of high school athletics.

Sincerely,

Bruce Bame

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