The 2009-2010 Athletic Budget includes services, equipment, supplies, dues, coaching clinics and several other areas necessary to maintain the quality of the South Fayette athletic program.

Several expenses remain constant from year to year. For example, ambulance services for fall field sports, UPMC services, football uniform weekly cleanings, baseball/softball reconditioning of uniforms and equipment, football reconditioning of uniforms and equipment, AED services, post-season travel for playoffs, mileage for meetings, clinics and seminars, athletic awards, newspaper subscriptions, software updates, dues and fees for officials, tournaments, invitationals, WPIAL and PIAA expenses are included annually. Outside of occasional increases in costs from the vendors, services providers and leagues, the expenses are consistent.

Event expenses such as ticket takers, security, etc. are paid for from gate receipts. General supplies include practice and game balls, medical supplies, scorebooks, swimming suits/caps, golf shirts and other miscellaneous equipment.

A rotation of uniforms has been used to determine what teams are due for new uniforms. This is important to spread out those expenses across teams and ensure that our athletes have quality uniforms that are in good repair and represent South Fayette with pride. This year we are proposing uniforms for football (grades 9-12) and cheerleading (grades 7-12). Both sets of uniforms will be eight years old and are in very poor condition. Due to budget constraints, this replacement has already been delayed twice. It is hoped that we will be able to proceed with the purchase of these uniforms.

The budget also includes money from the school district deposited in the athletic checking funds. These are contingency funds used to cover event expenses or other cost overruns as gate receipts do not generate sufficient funds to cover all athletic expenses.

In conclusion, the athletic budget for 2009-2010 contains the normal annual expenses with the addition of football and cheerleading uniforms. These are the items the coaches and I believe are necessary to keep the athletes equipped and prepared to continue to represent South Fayette with tradition and pride.