

**Noe Middle School**

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September 30, 2014

Jefferson County Board of Education:

I am writing to request that Noe Middle School be approved to name our athletic field in honor of Samuel "Sammy" Moore. Mr. Moore served as a Physical Education teacher and basketball coach at Noe Middle School for 33 years before retiring from JCPS. He spent 45 years as an educator in Jefferson County Public Schools and with Metro Parks Community Centers.

Mr. Moore mentored thousands of young people through his neighborhood work and teaching career, and is a well-respected member of the community. He is a product of JCPS, having attended Central High School, and is known nationally from his playing experience with the Harlem Globetrotters. Sammy Moore has received numerous honors for his community work, and I feel that it is time to recognize his contributions to Noe Middle School in a lasting way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan McDowell".

Jan McDowell  
Principal  
Noe Middle School

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February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Jefferson County Board of Education:

The SBDM Council of Noe Middle School, following consultation and consensus at the January and February 2014 meetings, is asking for approval to name Noe's athletic field in honor of Samuel Moore. "Sammy" Moore taught physical education and served as basketball coach at Noe Middle School for 33 years.

Mr. Moore is a respected member of the community, having served as an educator and mentor for 45 years in JCPS and Metro Parks Community Centers. He is a native of Louisville, and attended Central High School, where he was honored with All-District, All-Regional, and All-State awards each year. After graduating from college, he played for the Harlem Globetrotters and Harlem Magicians.

The Louisville community has honored Mr. Moore with numerous awards for his service and citizenship, and he has positively influenced thousands of students through his teaching and mentoring. Noe Middle School would like the opportunity to provide a lasting honor for this worthy individual who has served our school and community so well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan McDowell".

Jan McDowell  
SBDM Council Chair  
Noe Middle School

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February 1, 2014

To the Jefferson County Board of Education:

On behalf of the Noe Middle School PTSA, I am writing this letter to share our support of the school's efforts to name their Athletic Field after retired teacher Sammy Moore. While many of us on the current PTSA board haven't had the pleasure of working with Mr. Moore, the school has shared with us examples of Mr. Moore's legacy while a teacher at Noe. It is also our understanding that Mr. Moore equally gave of his time and energy to the youth program at the Southwick Community Center.

As a child advocacy group, we applaud teachers and mentors such as Sammy Moore for their commitment, passion and dedication to the youth of our community. We feel that, as a community, it is important to acknowledge individuals such as Mr. Moore and the impact that they make on our youth. It is our hope that the School Board will grant the school's request to acknowledge Mr. Moore's work by naming the Athletic Field in his honor.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Caryl Conklin  
PTSA Chair

**Noe Middle School Youth Services Center**

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January 15, 2014

To the Jefferson County Board of Education:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Noe Middle School Youth Services Center to share our support in naming the school's Athletic Field after Sammy Moore. Although Sammy has been retired from Noe Middle School for several years, he is still remembered as an influential teacher and community leader who dedicated his career to teaching children and using sports as a vehicle for character building and personal growth. During his time as a teacher at Noe, Sammy was instrumental in providing a variety of in-school and after-school sports opportunities for children and youth. Sammy has also always had deep ties to this community, serving for many years as the recreation director at the Southwick Community Center. While basketball was his personal sport of choice, Sammy exposed children and youth to a variety of sports and after-school activities, therefore it is fitting that the school's multi-use Athletic Field be named in his honor. We give our full support to this recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie A. Jeffers".

Mrs. Stephanie Jeffers  
Chair, Youth Services Center  
Noe Middle School



Louisville Metro Council  
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September 8, 2014

Noe Middle School  
121 West Lee Street  
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Re: Sammy Moore Athletic Field

To Whom It may Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed name change of the current Noe Middle School's Athletic Field.

I support and applaud your efforts in the renaming of the Athletic Field for such a fine individual as Sammy Moore.

Your proposal to the renaming of the Athletic Field is to be commended and I hope that you are successful with this endeavor. I remain,

Sincerely,

David A. James,  
Metro Council Member,  
District 6



Michael J. Heitz, AIA  
Director

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July 10, 2014

Dear Noe Middle School Leaders –

I am pleased to hear your school is contemplating naming its athletic field in honor of one of Louisville Metro Parks & Recreation's long time employees, Mr. Samuel Moore. It is with great enthusiasm that I support this decision.

Mr. Moore has been a valuable employee, mentor and friend to the Louisville recreation community for over 40 years. His leadership role at the Southwick Community Center continues to guide and influence the youth in our area. We are glad that his unyielding passion for creating a better environment for people to live and grow will be recognized by your organization.

Sincerely,

  
Michael J. Heitz, AIA  
Director, Louisville Metro Parks & Recreation



Greg Fischer  
Mayor  
Louisville  
Metro Council



A nationally accredited  
parks and recreation agency

August 23, 2014

Jan McDowell, Principal

Noe Middle School  
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Re: Sammy Moore

Dear Ms. McDowell.

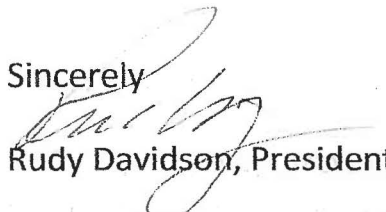
I am writing this letter in support of the recognition being awarded to Mr. Sammy Moore.

I have been an admirer of Sammy as a young man playing basketball in high school, college and as a professional. He was an accomplished player and received national recognition.

Over the past 20 years as a community worker I had the opportunity to assign work program trainees to be supervised by him at Southwick Recreation Center. Mr. Moore always exhibited leadership and compassion to the trainees and has managed that center for many years without incident. He is an asset to the community in that regard.

I sincerely support the recognition that Noe Middle School is giving to Mr. Sammie Moore.

Sincerely



Rudy Davidson, President, Fontaine Estates Homeowners Association

108 Fontaine Landing Court 40212

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Howard Owens  
2120 Algonquin Parkway  
Louisville, Ky. 40210  
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in regards to Mr. Sammy Moore, a noted and accomplished community servant in the Louisville Ky. Area.

I have known Mr. Moore since the early seventies, and he has always amazed me with his personal sacrifice as a community servant. As coach and director at Manly and Noe middle schools, Park Duvalle, and South Wick recreation centers, he has done such an outstanding job.

As a historical figure, in that both he and his brother, Kendrick were first and record breakers in a number of areas, in particular in regard to the University of Kentucky, I wish to commend Sammy Moore.

Sincerely Yours,

Howard Owens

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Russell Patrick

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Louisville, Ky.

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Re: Sammy Moore

Sammy Moore and I have been friends since high school. We attended Central high school and we both played on the same basketball team.

Sammy Moore was dynamic on the basketball court. He played with purpose, and that purpose was to win games. During his tenure at Central High School, from early to mid-fifties( which at that time schools were segregated and Central was an all-black high school) Sammy led his team to win the "district", "regional", "state", and "national" basketball championships.

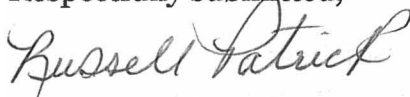
This team made history. Known for playing the first "interracial basketball game, Central played St Xavier, won the game and drew the largest attendance of its time. Sammy Moore set a precedent at Central, and he made many contributions to the rich history of high school athletes.

Sammy Moore attended Tennessee State University and later was offered a try-on with the all famous "Harlem Globe Trotters".

In 2010 Sammy Moore was selected for induction into the 2010 Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Sammy Moore has a different purpose now. As the supervisor of Metro Parks Recreation Center, (Duvall) he devotes his time, talent, and expertise to being a role model for the many young kids in the community. Mr. Moore teaches them far more than how to be an athlete; He has dedicated himself to the call of helping these kids to become responsible young men and women.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Russell Patrick". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Russell Patrick

## Sammie Moore

I was born in Louisville, Ky., and grew up in the Beecher Terrace Housing Project in the West End. I attended S. C. Taylor Elementary School and enjoyed attending the Baxter Recreation Center after School. Upon graduation from elementary school, I proceeded to Madison Junior High school, where I found my love, *basketball*. Under the direction of Bill Johnson, the P. E. teacher I learned the basics of basketball. After graduation I enrolled in Central High School and began to blossom as an upcoming basketball star. During my 3 years at Central High School, I was All District Player, All Region and All State player of the year all 3 years. Leading Central to 2 Districts Championships, 2 Regional Championships, and 2 State Championships. Not only did I lead the State Tournament all 3 years, but I was also selected as most *valuable player*

Upon graduation from high school, I attended Tennessee State University where I received my B.S. degree. After graduation from college I starred professionally, with both the Harlem Globetrotters and the Harlem Magicians.

I have worked for Louisville Metro Parks for 35 plus years. Starting as a locker boy for the Shepherds Square Pool, when I was only 14 years old. Upon finishing college, I returned to Louisville Metro Parks working full time at Russell High Community School. When I left Russell, I began working for Southwick community Center, and 2 years at St. George Community, returning back to the Southwick Community Center, where I've continued my career up to now.

During my career I have received numerous honors and awards, such as, "The Golden Shovel Award", "Mr. Clean Award", "Recreation Worker of the Year Award", "The Resolution Award" that was sponsored by Council Woman Denise Bentley, The Metro Parks Recreation Boards Award for "Outstanding Progress of Parks and Recreation for the Betterment of the City of Louisville and Jefferson County", "The Bridge Award for Others to Cross", "The Village Award" for community service or recreation and family, "The Distinguished Citizen Award" from the City of Louisville and "Southwick recreation Center Camp of the Year for 2006" just to name a few.

I have continued my career as a Jefferson County Board of Education School Teacher and Metro Parks & Recreation Supervisor for 35 plus years. Why? Because, I love being a mentor and role model for the children that I come in contact with daily. Over the years I have touched literally the lives of thousands of kids. As adults, they visit the center and walk around and reminisce how they came to this center and were forever touched by their experiences here. Whether it was skating, playing basketball, softball, football, track and field, arts and crafts or just hanging out, and not on the city streets. They express their thanks for my guidance and sometimes, strict policies, that have enabled them to be productive citizens of our great community and nation. Some of the kids who were touched by this center have gone on to become college basketball players, NBA basketball players, football players, doctors, city officials, and just good people.

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