

DODGE CITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

DODGE CITY, KANSAS

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PRINCIPAL

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Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

We have definitely set the dates of the Third Annual Basketball Clinic for December 11th and 12th. We are counting on you being here on those dates. We have sent out announcement letters and cards on August 2 and on September 22. At the present time we have several entries and fully expect to have a large number of teams playing on Thursday and Friday.

The Dates have been ok'ed by The Kansas State Activities Association and the plan for conducting the clinic has been ok'ed. The plan in brief, as you probably recall is as follows: Each team will play two halves of basketball, one half against one team and the second half against another team. You as clinician will observe all teams and somehow will pass your suggestions and recommendations on to the coaches of the teams and to the players. In past years we have provided the Clinician with a secretary who takes notes and transcribes these notes and makes dittoed forms for all of the players and coaches. This has proven cumbersome and I would like your reaction to this plan--- that the two coaches, whose teams are playing, sit with you during the time that their team is playing and that you give them your observations and suggestions directly and at the time the team is playing. Later in a general talk you could tell the boys (all of them) your observations and recommendations as a whole and let the coach carry your specific criticisms directly to the boys themselves. I believe this would be less work for you and would be of greater value to the coaches.

Mr. Stanton has indicated to me that you thought that you could bring your Varsity team with you on this trip if we could take care of their expenses. I have talked with a number of the Alumni of the University and I can assure you that we will take care of them. I have indicated in advance publicity that you might bring the Varsity with you and that has aroused a lot of interest. I think that it would be a great thing for the University and of course a great thing for the Clinic. As far as I can remember there has never been a Major Basketball team in Dodge City and we certainly would like to have the boys out with you. Please let me know what you can do about it. We would be glad to have them come out with you (I am sure that some of the Dodge Students would be glad to bring a load of them) and to have them and you stay over as long as you like. You can use the Gym floor for work outs and we would have a nice crowd to watch your demonstration with them

The program would likely be (1)-games Thursday (2) games Friday A.M. and afternoon (3) Scheduled game Dodge City High vs Emporia High Friday evening