

*Office of
Athletics and Co-Curricular Activities*

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mark Rondinelli

FROM: John N. Werner
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RE: Football Helmet Bids

DATE: June 14, 2006

The football helmet bids resulted in the low bid submitted by Riddell for the VSR-4 helmet. Other bids for the Schutt Air Advantage were higher. However, the Air Advantage appears to be a better helmet and offers superior protection to the VSR-4. The VSR-4 helmet from Riddell actually compares to the Schutt Pro Air II. We chose the Air Advantage over the Pro Air II because of the added injury protection capability.

The bid was written requesting the Air Advantage and no substitutions were to be accepted. The building athletic coordinators choose the Air Advantage because of the protection it offers and the affordable price. Riddell phoned and requested the opportunity to submit a bid. We were not told which helmet they were going to quote so we told them they could submit a bid. They submitted the VSR-4 helmet which, as mentioned above, is not comparable to the Air Advantage.

Thank you.

JNW/wn