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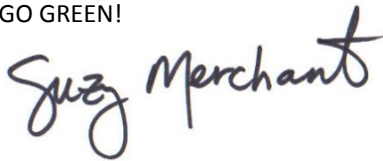
Dear Loyal MVP members,

As a new school year is now upon us, we are excited for the upcoming season. We are ready to get back to work and repeat as BIG 10 Champions! A new year signifies that the future is brand new and we are ready for any challenges that await us. With that being said, we want to make sure you are aware of changes in the WBB Program. Our graduate student assistant and MVP Ball Club director, Lindsay Scarletelli enters her second year with us, her responsibilities and duties have been increased to prepare her for her future career in coaching. Lindsay will still be involved and oversee the MVP Ball Club this season, but we have a new MVP director and Assistant director that we would like to introduce you to!

We are pleased and excited to add a new member to the WBB Family! We would like to extend a welcome to our new director of the MVP Ball Club, Anna Patritto and assistant director, Spartan alumni and fan favorite, Cetera Washington. The MSU WBB Program is pleased to add such hard working, dedicated people to our staff. Anna comes to us from Oakland University where she was a four year letter winner for their women's basketball program. She will be working towards her Master's Degree in Sports Administration at MSU and will take over MVP responsibilities in our office effective immediately. Cetera will be working toward her Master's Degree in Youth Development and will be assisting with the responsibilities of the MVP Ball Club. Anna and Cetera are true Spartans! With their help, we will continue to provide answers to any questions you may have about the MVP program before our season officially begins.

Enclosed is the updated application for membership to the MVP Ball Club and coming soon to msuspartans.com the Women's Basketball 2011-2012 schedule. Please keep in mind that the MVP Ball Club is open to any child, 8th grade or younger. NCAA rules prohibit any students in grades 9-12 to have any affiliation with an NCAA Sport Program. For those members, we have many MVP events planned for the 2011-2012 season. Poster Contests, Photo Contests, Essay Contests, MVP Clinic & Lock in and of course, primary seating at all MSU WBB regular season home games. Our 8th graders get the privilege every year of being our "Roster Members." The application deadline for 8th graders to be eligible for Roster Member duties will be Saturday, October 15th. All this is in store for our MVP Club members so be sure to sign up and TELL YOUR FRIENDS!

GO GREEN!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzy Merchant". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Suzy Merchant, Head Coach
Michigan State Women's Basketball