Response from Football & Cheerleading Club of Johnson County

1. Riddell is the manufacturer of all helmets owned by FCCJC that are made available to participants to rent. The models are the Revolution, the Speed Edge, and the Speed Classic.

2. Following each season, the FCCJC equipment manager and representatives of Riddell inspect each helmet.  Helmets showing cracks or other deficiencies are removed and disposed of, as are helmets that have been in existence for 10 years -- which is recommended by Riddell.  Helmets are reconditioned on average about every two years.  No helmet goes beyond three years without reconditioning. Typically, 15 - 20% of our inventory is replaced each year.

3. Riddell is retained to recondition our helmets.

4. The club employs an equipment manager who coordinates training in proper fitting techniques for all coaches.  Riddell conducts training sessions for coaches each year as well as we have coaches trained by  USA Football as part of their Heads Up Program in which we participate.

5. The club has partnered with Overland Park Regional Medical Center for the past four years to develop the FCCJC Concussion Management Program. which includes baseline testing thru the ImPact Testing Program, educational seminars for coaches conducted by OPRMC medical personnel, and a protocol for returning to participate following an injury.

6. As a member of the USA Football Heads Up Program, the club supports teaching the Heads Up tacking techniques and conducts all games under the NFSHS football rules.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

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