

Jerry Snodgrass, Executive Director Sunday, July 5, 2020 Administrator Update

To:All OHSAA Member Schools' Superintendents, Principals and Athletic AdministratorsFrom:Jerry Snodgrass, Executive Director

Good Holiday weekend to each of you and I apologize for sending this on a Sunday.

However, having just been informed of a significant announcement by the Governor's office that will be made today, we felt it imperative that we do all we could to provide you this information prior to hearing it from outside sources.

As you know, current restrictions within the PHASE 2 orders permit INTRA-TEAM scrimmaging for contact sports. As examples, 3 vs. 3 in soccer, games in open gyms and 7-on-7 in football amongst one's <u>**OWN**</u> school players has been permitted. Traveling to other geographic locations to compete with another team in contact sports was NOT permitted.

Resulting from recent court proceedings, we were informed the order that has prohibited competitions between teams in geographically different areas will be amended today and will now permit this for **RESIDENTIAL TEAM CAMPS - camps in which athletes reside overnight.** This would now permit an overnight soccer camp, or a 'team basketball camp' at, for example, the University of Findlay to take place provided the participants spend the night and follow all the restrictions in the amended order.

As mentioned previously, the OHSAA has no jurisdiction over team play this summer. Decisions to participate in these camps is entirely up to the individuals attending - there are no OHSAA consequences to teams or coaches who attend these residential/overnight camps.

We believe it important to provide this to you as quickly as we were made aware of it to eliminate as much confusion as possible with amended Department of Health orders. When we receive the amended order and the link to the online posting, we will send that to you. This will most likely be on Monday along with other important information.

Thank you, and we hope you enjoy the rest of the holiday weekend.