



Ohio High School Athletic Association

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Administrator Update

TO: All OHSAA Member Schools' Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Administrators
FR: Bob Goldring, Interim Executive Director

Good afternoon! In the event you were not able to see or listen to Governor DeWine's news conference this afternoon, here is the update that was shared by Lt. Governor Husted as it relates to sports:

"The current amended order from the Director of Health that provides guidance for contact sports practices and non-contact sports competitions and contact competition lasts through July 15. We have also launched the **#IWantASeason** campaign to try to remind young people that if they want to have a season, if they want to help control the spread of the coronavirus to their teammates or family, they should wear a mask and socially distance.

"I know people want to plan, think about the future and think about contact sports . . . we will have more guidance coming next week. We're having great conversations with the various sports organizations from around the state – including the Ohio High School Athletic Association, our colleges and professional teams – to make sure we are learning on how to keep people safe and allowing them to participate. So, again, more information will be forthcoming next week."

As the OHSAA has mentioned previously, our office has no jurisdiction over team play this summer. The decisions to participate in a team camp and/or compete against other teams are made by local school districts – there are no OHSAA penalties. All questions should be directed to school administrators or your local health departments who have provided you with guidance throughout this time.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time, and we will continue to provide updates as they become available!