

TO: Athletic Administrators and Head Football Coaches

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RE: 2020 Pre-Season Information #4

### **2020 Season Updates**

This pandemic has caused many disruptions in our lives. There are so many guidelines and recommendations that are left up to the local schools in concert with their local health departments. That is the world we are living in right now.

1. Here is a link to the General OHSAA Return to Play Recommendations:

<https://bit.ly/RTPRecs>

2. Here is a link to the 2020 Football Modifications:

<https://bit.ly/FBRecs>

I would like to thank the OHSFCA for putting together a great document of recommendations which should assist coaches as they prepare for and travel to and from games. **In-game rules are still governed by NFHS Rules and OHSAA modifications.**

3. Please email me with questions at [brugg@ohsaa.org](mailto:brugg@ohsaa.org) **Please do not spread rumors!**

### **2020 Tournament Updates**

The structure could change with the number of teams that qualify or if a tournament is feasible. Here are some changes that we know will occur:

1. The 8-game requirement will be removed for 2020. Harbin points are calculated on average with divisors, so this should not be an issue.
2. Tournament contests will be played at the home site of the highest seeded team at least through the Regional Semi Finals (playoff weeks 1 and 2 normally). This could be extended through the Regional Finals.

### **8-Player Football**

1. If you are a school that is participating in 8-player football, **please make that change on your participation card in myOHSAA ASAP. This is under the Non-Recognized sports section.**

### **Free NFHS COVID Course**

Here is a free course offered by the NFHS:

[https://nfhslearn.com/courses/covid-19-for-coaches-and-administrators?utm\\_source=delivra&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=COVID-19%20for%20Administrators&utm\\_id=2311330&utm\\_term=Click+here+to+take+the+%e2%80%9cCOVID-19+for+Coaches+and+Administrators%e2%80%9d+course&dlv-emuid=5ad67621-43d2-4217-917a-31fd5ed6ee62&dlv-mlid=2311330](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/covid-19-for-coaches-and-administrators?utm_source=delivra&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=COVID-19%20for%20Administrators&utm_id=2311330&utm_term=Click+here+to+take+the+%e2%80%9cCOVID-19+for+Coaches+and+Administrators%e2%80%9d+course&dlv-emuid=5ad67621-43d2-4217-917a-31fd5ed6ee62&dlv-mlid=2311330)

Here is the link to 2020 Jamboree information:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Football/2020/2020JamboreeExplanation.pdf>

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