

TO: Athletic Administrators and Head Football Coaches

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RE: 2021 Football Pre-Season Information #1

2021 Season Updates

1. As of the writing of this memo, the OHSAA has no mandated guidelines in relation to COVID restrictions, we will update you if anything changes. You may have school or local restrictions.
2. The Tournament entry/withdraw deadline is October 1. Only Athletic Directors may view and edit Tournament Entry through their myOHSAA account. **Remember, we are expanding to 16 qualifiers per region!**
3. Please add and accept any pending varsity game contracts in Arbiter ASAP.

Jamborees

1. We do not have Jamborees this year. Each school is allowed 2 scrimmages. **You may charge admission for scrimmages.**
2. If you would like to see Jamborees in the future (a third scrimmage), please send an email to brugg@ohsaa.org **showing your support.**

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.** See Football Regulations [here](#), reference 1.6 for 8-player guidance.
 - a. A school may not have both an 8-player and 11-player team.

NFHS Rules

1. There is only one rule change this year. Low blocks in the free blocking zone: The block must be immediate and during the initial action following the snap.

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