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James Ryan
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To: All
From: James Ryan, Director of Physical Education, Health & Athletics
Date: January 21, 2021
Re: Interscholastic Athletics Update

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you and your families enjoyed the holiday break. As of today, the Governor and State department of health have not authorized practices or competitions for all high-risk sports including, Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Wrestling, Cheerleading, Ice Hockey, and Lacrosse. Therefore, we unfortunately are unable to offer them to our student-athletes at this time.

Our high school winter track, bowling, and boys swimming teams have begun their seasons as they are classified as low and moderate risk winter sports and have state authorization. The sports winter season is scheduled to run through the end of February for these programs.

Our traditionally offered middle school winter sports of basketball, wrestling and cheerleading are categorized as high-risk sports and therefore also cannot be offered at this time.

If high-risk sports receive authorization from the Governor and State department of health, we will share the plan to operate them at the high school and middle school level.

New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) the state governing body for interscholastic athletics, has re-structured the traditional 3-sport season of fall, winter, & spring, adding a fourth season in the form of a (Fall season 2) scheduled to start on March 1, 2021. This season is currently scheduled to include the high-risk sports of Football, Cheerleading, & Volleyball, and also the moderate risk sport of Girls Swimming. Fall season 2 is scheduled to conclude at the end of April.

The traditional spring sports season is scheduled to start at the end of April and run through June up until regent's week. Our traditional spring sports of baseball, softball, boy's tennis, and spring track are all categorized by the Governor and State department of health as low/moderate risk sports and will be able to be offered to our student-athletes when the season is scheduled to start at both the high school and middle school.

Please contact the Athletics Office with questions.

Thank you.