



Oregon School Activities Association

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TO: Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors

FROM: Peter Weber, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Summary of Executive Board Action at the December 7, 2020 Meeting

At the meeting on December 7, 2020, the OSAA Executive Board took the following actions:

- Approved the minutes of the September 14, 2020, Executive Board meeting.
- Accepted the Audit Review for 2019-20.
- Reviewed the caucus discussion items from the October 2020 Delegate Assembly meeting.
- Received a first reading to Amend Article 5.1. – Executive Board – Composition. This will be placed on the February 8, 2021, Executive Board meeting agenda. **(Attached)**
- Received a first reading to Amend Rule 8.5.1 (c) – School Representation – Students Attending Full Member Charter Schools. This will be placed on the February 8, 2021, Executive Board meeting agenda. **(Attached)**
- Received an update on the School Status Survey, an ODE report listing each school's instructional method on a weekly basis.
- Voted to adopt a revised activities calendar which rearranges activity seasons, pushes back the initial start date to February 2021 and extends Season 1 exceptions to February 21, 2021. **(Attached)**
- Voted to keep the following schools at their current classification level after reviewing each school's 2019-20 enrollment figures and projections: Molalla, Taft, La Pine, Neah-Kah-Nie, Crosshill Christian, St. Paul, Yoncalla and Elgin.
- Voted to approve the following new Full Membership Applications: Adrienne C. Nelson HS (6A – Mt. Hood Conference) and Caldera HS (6A – Mountain Valley Conference).
- Received an Oregon Athletic Coaches Association (OACA) report from Rob Younger, OACA Executive Director & Associate Director Chris Knudsen.
- Received an Oregon Athletic Directors Association (OADA) report from Dave Hood, OADA Executive Director.
- Received an Oregon Athletic Officials Association (OAOA) report from Jack Folliard, OAOA Executive Director.
- Received an update on the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) from Peter Weber, OSAA Executive Director.
- Received an update on the Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee from K.T. Emerson, OSAA Assistant Executive Director.
- Received an update on the Inclusion Committee from Kris Welch, OSAA Assistant Executive Director.
- Received a report on the OSAA Foundation from Kyle Stanfield, OSAA Assistant Executive Director.

- Reviewed and assigned penalties where appropriate for rule violations self-reported by member schools. ***(Attached)***
- Received a reminder of upcoming meetings:
 - Executive Board – Monday, February 8, 2021 / 9am / TBD
 - Delegate Assembly – Monday, April 5, 2021 / 9am / TBD
 - Executive Board – Monday, May 3, 2021 / 9am / TBD
 - Executive Board Summer Workshop – Monday-Wednesday, July 19-21, 2021 / Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond

A summary of actions is posted on the OSAA website following each Executive Board meeting. Official minutes of the December 7, 2020, Executive Board meeting are available from the OSAA upon request.

Proposal to Amend Article 5.1. – Executive Board – Composition

(First Reading)

QUESTION: *Should the Executive Board propose an amendment to the Delegate Assembly that would change the process for affiliated organizations to forward candidates for consideration to the Board?*

RATIONALE: The Executive Board is committed to being as diverse and representative of the Oregon school population and its students as possible. The following adjustment would require that the Board consider geographic, gender and ethnic representation of candidates from affiliated organizations.

RULE CHANGE SPONSORED BY: OSAA Executive Board

NEXT STEP IF PASSED: First reading only

POSSIBLE RULE CHANGES:

KEY: Add
Delete

- 5.1. Composition.** The Executive Board shall be composed of 13 elected members and shall consist of one representative from each classification, one 6A/5A/4A at-large representative appointed by the Executive Board and one 3A/2A/1A at-large representative appointed by the Executive Board, a representative of the Oregon School Boards Association, a representative of the Oregon Athletic Directors Association, an activities director representative, a non-voting advisory coach representative of the Oregon Athletic Coaches Association, and a non-voting advisory official representative of the Oregon Athletic Officials Association.
- 5.1.1.** The 6A/5A/4A and 3A/2A/1A at-large representatives shall be appointed by the members of the Executive Board prior to the term of office to be filled. Criteria to be considered by the Executive Board in making these appointments may include, among others, geographic, gender and ethnic representation on the Executive Board.
- 5.1.2.** *The following organizations shall each submit information for three candidates to the Executive Board for consideration prior to the term of office to be filled. Criteria to be considered by the Executive Board in making these selections shall include, among others, geographic, gender and ethnic representation on the Executive Board.*
- a. Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA)*
 - b. Oregon Athletic Directors Association (OADA)*
 - c. OSAA Student Activities Advisory Committee (SAAC)*
 - d. Oregon Athletic Coaches Association (OACA)*
 - e. Oregon Athletic Officials Association (OAOA) shall be elected by ~~their~~ organization.*
- ~~**5.1.3.** An athletic director representative shall be elected by the Oregon Athletic Directors Association (OADA).~~
- ~~**5.1.4.** An activities director representative shall be selected by the OSAA Student Activities Advisory Committee.~~
- ~~**5.1.5.** A coach representative shall be elected by the Oregon Athletic Coaches Association (OACA).~~
- ~~**5.1.6.** An officials' representative shall be selected by the Oregon Athletic Officials Association (OAOA).~~
- 5.1.7.** The Executive Director shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Executive Board.

Proposal to Amend Rule 8.5.1 (c) – School Representation – Student Attending Full Member Charter Schools

(First Reading)

QUESTION: *Should the Executive Board propose an amendment that would allow a full member charter school student to participate back at their resident public school in activities not offered?*

RATIONALE: This rule change would align Full Member Charter School Students with Student Attending Full Member Private Schools in the opportunity to return to their home district to participate in an activity/program not offered by their Full Member Charter School.

RULE CHANGE SPONSORED BY: OSAA Executive Board

NEXT STEP IF PASSED: First reading only.

POSSIBLE RULE CHANGES:

KEY: Add Delete

8.5.1. A student who competes in a sport or activity representing a school other than the one in which the student has been enrolled becomes ineligible for that sport or activity for the remainder of its season. **EXCEPTIONS:**

(c) Students Attending Full Member Charter Schools. A student attending **a** charter school that is a full member of the Association ~~may~~ **must** participate ~~on teams~~ representing the full member public charter school **if the program is offered only. If the full member charter school does not offer a particular activity, a student may represent the public school of Joint Residence of the student and student’s parents, provided that both high school principals agree.**



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MEDIA RELEASE

OSAA ADJUSTS 20-21 CALENDAR FOR ALL ACTIVITIES

New plan pushes start date to February, swaps seasons around and extends Season 1 opportunities

December 7, 2020 – (Wilsonville, OR)

The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) Executive Board has revised the Association's calendar to start activities in February. The OSAA Executive Board was hopeful that the state's landscape was going to improve when it adopted the current calendar back in August, but that has not proven to be the case as COVID-19 cases continue to rise, county risk level metrics have changed and restrictions on prohibited activities have not been lifted by the Governor's Office and Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

"Today's decision by the Executive Board is another reminder of the impact the pandemic has had on Oregon students and schools," said Peter Weber, OSAA Executive Director. "While disappointed that we need to adjust our original schedule, we believe that keeping three distinct seasons, albeit in shortened seasons, maintains potential opportunities for all students moving forward."

Board members made it clear during with comments during the meeting that the OSAA and its member schools are bound by the rules, regulations, and guidance set forth by the Governor's Office and the OHA. Neither the OSAA Executive Board nor the OSAA Executive Director are able to waive state mandates or provide exceptions for certain activities or counties in the state. The OSAA staff continues to be in contact with the Governor's Office, OHA and the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to advocate for a safe return to in-person learning and high school activities.

In the revised calendar adopted today, Fall sports are moved to Season 2 and will begin in February with multiple activities permitted by state guidance. This allows time for case counts to decrease in the new year and for counties to subsequently move out of the Extreme Risk category. Cross Country and Soccer, as outdoor sports, are permitted by the Governor's Office and OHA in all counties. As an indoor activity, Volleyball is tied to the Governor's County Risk Level Guidance and only allowed in those counties deemed as Lower, Moderate, or High Risk. Full contact football remains on the Governor's prohibited list of activities at this time. Discussions around possibly moving Football later in the year were not supported at this time due to concerns expressed by the OSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) regarding the impact that a later contact football season would require modifications to the Fall 2021 football season.

Season 3 features the traditional Spring activities (Baseball, Softball, Golf, Tennis and Track & Field), all of which are permitted by state guidance as outdoor activities. These will begin April 5 and extend into the third week in May.

The sports calendar wraps up with Season 4 and traditional winter sports (Swimming, Basketball and Wrestling) beginning in mid-May and extending into late June. The shift of wrestling and basketball to the end of the calendar provides the most runway for their prohibition to be lifted by the state. The OSAA has been given no indication that a change will be made in this designation but remains hopeful that a change could occur prior to Season 4. Swimming is currently allowed outdoors for all counties and indoors for those counties not in the Extreme Risk metric.

The activities schedule was revised to allow more time for school buildings to be accessible to their programs. Activities like Choir and Band/Orchestra have been pushed back to the end of the school year to provide their programs the opportunity to rehearse in person if school district policy allows. Cheerleading and Dance/Drill culminating weeks have also been adjusted to allow more time for facilities to open or have weather improve enough to move outdoors.

The Executive Board also voted to extend Season 1 through February 21, 2021 to allow training, workouts and even competitions to occur in those areas of the state that are allowed per the Governor's Office, OHA guidance, and local school district policy. The Board plans to revisit participation limitations for all seasons, out-of-season coaching policies for Season 2, 3, and 4, and the need for further decisions as a result of updated state guidance or changing risk level metrics at upcoming work sessions.

Revised 2020-21 OSAA Activities Calendar
Adopted December 7, 2020

8/17 - 12/27	12/28-1/3	1/4-10	1/11-17	1/18-24	1/25-31	2/1-7	2/8-14	2/15-21	2/22-28	3/1-7	3/8-14	3/15-21	3/22-28	3/29-4/4	4/5-11	4/12-18	4/19-25	4/26-5/2	5/3-9	5/10-16	5/17-23	5/24-30	5/31-6/6	6/7-13	6/14-20	6/21-27
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Season 1

Sports/Activities permitted will not be designated by the OSAA but rather will be at the discretion of the local school district, provided they are allowed by the Governor's Office, OHA, ODE, and the school adheres to the directives from those entities.

OSAA policies regarding out-of-season coaching limitations have been waived during Season 1 with the caveat that student participation in these sports cannot be required. All other OSAA rules and policies remain in effect at this time.

Season 2: 6 Weeks (Includes Opt-In Culminating Week)		
Practice	Cross Country	OSAA
Practice	Soccer	OSAA
Practice	Volleyball	OSAA
Practice	Football	OSAA

Season 3: 6 Weeks (Includes Opt-In Culminating Week)		
Pitchers/Catchers	Baseball	OSAA
Pitchers/Catchers	Softball	OSAA
Practice	Golf	OSAA
Practice	Tennis	OSAA
Practice	Track and Field	OSAA

Season 4: 6 Weeks (Includes Opt-In Culminating Week)		
Practice	Swimming	OSAA
Practice	Wrestling	OSAA
Practice	Basketball	OSAA

OSAA Activities (No Defined Season)		
Speech	OSAA	
	Solo Music	OSAA
	Dance/Drill	OSAA
	Cheerleading	OSAA
	Choir	OSAA
	Band/Orchestra	OSAA

