

July 23, 2020

Dear Everett Public Schools high school families:

The WIAA announced a modified 2020-21 WIAA high school sports season calendar this week in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The changes will create four WIAA-sanctioned seasons and will also move moderate- and high-risk team sports, originally scheduled for the fall season, to the WIAA Season 3. This new calendar may adjust again based on the fluidity of the COVID-19 situation.

The following is directly from WIAA and can also be found at WIAA.com.

"The fall sports of cross country, slowpitch softball, as well as alternative seasons for golf and tennis, have been determined to consist of WIAA Season 1 and will each begin practices the week of September 7, a date determined by the Executive Board at a previous meeting. The viability of girls' swim and dive taking place in WIAA Season 1 is dependent on more information from the Department of Health.

The remaining fall sports of girls' soccer, 1B/2B boys soccer, volleyball and football will now be scheduled to begin in the early spring of 2021 as part of WIAA Season 3. Participation in any fall sports will depend on county progression through the phases laid out in Governor Inslee's Safe Start plan over the coming weeks. The Executive Board will create benchmarks on July 28 to be met in order for WIAA Season 1 to take place. If the benchmarks are not met, the Board will plan to move the remainder of fall sports to WIAA Season 3.

Traditional winter sports will all take place in WIAA Season 2 with the expectation to begin in late December or early January. Traditional spring sports will occupy WIAA Season 4 to end the school year." Tentative dates for the seasons have not yet been determined.

**WIAA Season 1:** Cross Country, Slowpitch Softball, Girls Swim & Dive\*, Golf (Alternative Season), Tennis (Alternative Season)

**WIAA Season 2:** Basketball, Bowling, Boys Swim & Dive, Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Wrestling

WIAA Season 3: Volleyball, Girls Soccer, 1B/2B Boys Soccer, Football

**WIAA Season 4**: Tennis, Fastpitch Softball, Track & Field, Baseball, Golf, Boys Soccer, Dance/Drill

Everett Public Schools will continue to share updates from WIAA as they become available. Stay safe and stay healthy.

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