

# SECTION 2



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Date: March 13, 2020 – 12:00 (noon)

To: All Section 2 Athletic Administrators

 From: Edward E. Dopp, Executive Director & Executive Committee

As the entire state and nation have been dealing with the COVID-19 Virus pandemic for the past few weeks, Section 2 continues to be in communication with the many local health departments, state health department, and continually monitoring the NYSED & Federal information that is coming out. We feel that we are in an unprecedented and emergency situation and the Section is taking this action to do our part in protecting our student-athletes and entire school communities.

**Effective immediately**, in an abundance of caution, we have made the decision that all of our member schools must postpone all scrimmages, non-league and league contests until April 19, 2020. In essence to not send or receive any student-athletes and or spectators from outside of your own district onto your campus.

In the absence of a directive from proper authorities to close school districts and or school extracurricular athletics, it is the home school districts decision as to the continuance of the interscholastic athletic programs within their district (practice). The Section's action is being put in place to help minimize the spread of the virus throughout our school communities.

This action will help serve the public health crisis and at the same time provide an equal playing field for all of our member schools. The Section will continue to monitor the situation and work to put plans in place for the future of the remaining Winter and all Spring Sports within our Section.