

Section One “High-Risk” Sport Authorization



Season & Sport Timeline:

	Fall Season I	Winter Season	High Risk Winter	Fall Season II	Spring Season
Start Date:	September 29 th , 2020	January 4 th , 2021	February 1 st , 2021	March 8 th , 2021	April 19 th , 2021
End Date:	November 23 rd , 2020	February 28 th , 2021	March 14 th , 2021	April 25 th , 2021	June 13 th , 2021
Already Approved Awaiting Local DOH Approval	Soccer Field Hockey Cross Country Girls Tennis	Bowling Boys Swimming Gymnastics Skiing Winter Track Fencing	Basketball Competitive Cheer Ice Hockey Wrestling	Football Cheerleading Volleyball Girls Swimming	Baseball Boys Lacrosse Girls Lacrosse Golf Boys Tennis Softball Track & Field

Masks/Face Coverings:

Section One will adhere to all NYSDOH face covering guidelines.

- Districts and non-school venues may choose to be more restrictive.
 - Athletic Departments, officials and spectators are encouraged to consult with the host district/site, in advance, to best understand their protocols.
- The obligation to monitor compliance remains with school personnel.

Spectator Policy:

Fall Low/Moderate Risk

Indoor/Outdoor - two spectators per home athlete

Winter Low, Moderate and High Risk

Indoor - spectators are not permitted with the exception of two spectators per home athlete for one senior night per team, unless the facility is more restrictive

Outdoor - two spectators per home athlete, unless the facility is more restrictive

Scheduling & Event Management:

- Efforts should be made to limit shared equipment; Players should bring their own equipment and water bottles.
- Schools are placed in regional/geographical groupings with a focus on league games.
- Virtual competitions offered in the sports of Boys Swimming, Bowling and Track & Field
- Individual schools/leagues may elect to go independent and reposition sports at other time periods within the calendar.
 - It is the mission of Section One to support all schools.
- An emphasis is placed on communicating procedures and protocols with opponents in preparation for competition.



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