



## MIAA COVID-19 Task Force July 15, 2020 Meeting Highlights

The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) COVID-19 Task Force met on Wednesday, July 15, 2020. Below are the highlights from the meeting.

Additional information and resources, including a list of Task Force members, can be found on the [MIAA COVID-19 Task Force Page](#)

- In support of the July 13<sup>th</sup> MIAA Sports Medicine Committee recommendation to *"have the fall athletic seasons start after school begins"*, the MIAA Task Force approved the following recommendation:
  - ❖ Recommended to **move the start date of the fall season back to Monday, September 14, 2020.** (J. Quatromoni/ J. Francis)  
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This recommendation will be presented to the MIAA BOD on July 21, 2020

- The **MIAA Survey results** have been posted on the [MIAA COVID-19 Task Force Page](#).
- An update was provide by the subcommittee working with representatives from the **Governor's Staff, DESE, EEA, infectious disease professionals and public health officials**. When utilizing "return to play" guidelines from other states, the focus will be on the surrounding states, not what states out west are doing.
- There are four sports in Massachusetts that are currently placed in a "higher risk category" than where surrounding states and the NFHS have placed them.
  - Cross-Country – Moderate risk in MA but low risk in surrounding states/NFHS.
  - Ice Hockey, Soccer and Crew/Sailing (non-MIAA sports) - High risk in MA but moderate by surrounding state.
- An update was provided by the subcommittee working on a **a variety of return to play scenarios and possibilities**. A set of scenarios will be presented to the Task Force at the next meeting.
- The Task Force discussed the details of the presentation to the MIAA Board of Director. Thom and Keith will communicate updates to the presentation to the full task force in advance of the Board meeting.

