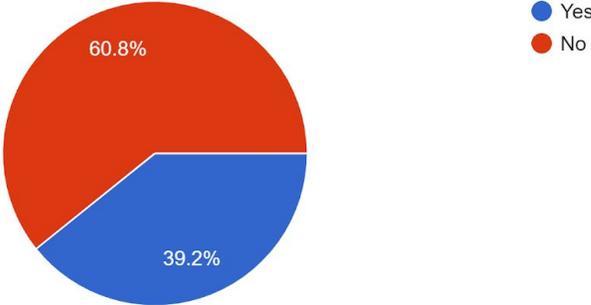


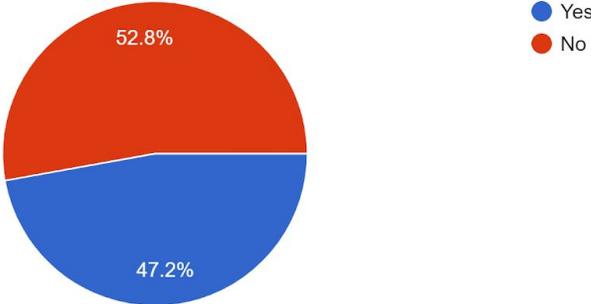
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283 responses



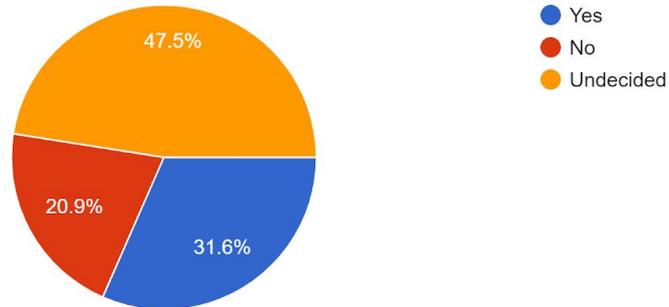
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282 responses



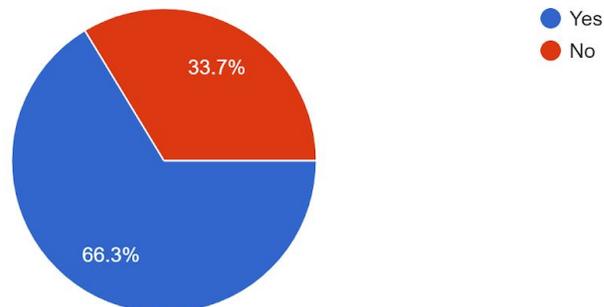
Is your school enforcing the recommendation to quarantine athletes and coaches for 14 days if they go to a state that is considered a "hot spot" or above 15%?

282 responses



In order to prepare and plan for the new guidelines and regulations, would you like fall sports to be delayed at least 1 week?

282 responses



20 or so other states have delayed the start of any athletic season. Colleges continue to do. With the current trends, Ohio will be included in the conversation with states like FL, TX, etc. Let's stop kidding ourselves about being able to play fall athletics in August or September.

No

Push it back. Figure out how to safely begin educating our students first and restart athletics once there are clear, consistent standards in place with a reasonable time for everyone to put them in place.

I would like the OHSAA and the ODE to issue joint guidelines that are not contradictory. I would also like for each of those entities to set clear and concise guidelines that are to be followed concerning quarantine and testing as well as clarify the sports that are allowed to compete.

A decision to be made either way. Leaving districts limbo isn't ideal. Make a decision!

If an official cannot pick-up and place a football in fear of coronavirus then how safe is it for kids to play the game. If schools are suggested to play league and local competition is there any liability with existing contracts

To best serve their member schools, it would be nice for the OHSAA to be proactive rather than reactive which is what they seem to be doing. In their document, are they recommendations or mandatory items?

I would be more comfortable with a 2-3 week delay.

I am worried about indoor crowds for volleyball. Right now we are allowing fans, should we not limit the number of fans that can attend a game so we can seat them socially distant?

N/A

Fall sports should be delayed until September.

Depending on when guidelines are issued and the governor approving competition in contact sports between schools, we will need at least 1 week to put in place all the necessary mandates to have athletic events.

It is hard to take anything OHSAA says seriously when it HS "strongly recommended" or we "should do." They lose credibility when they just end up punting to the public health orders or items released from the Ohio CDC.

Unsure how we can have fall sports with these restrictions and lack of clarity

placing the flu vaccine on the list of Student acknowledgments should not have been done!

I am all for the kids 100% but I wish someone could explain to me how we can play contact sports in the fall when the cases are higher now than in the spring?

A delay of 4-6 weeks would be better, which would allow time for school to begin, PPE supplies to be acquired, and hopefully the virus levels to subside

Ugh...

I think one month is more like it.

The new recommendations put a big strain on smaller athletic departments. We believe all recommendations can be done however, delaying the start for at least a week would help greatly with planning and prep.

I believe that the requirements are doable and we can make them work with effort. We need to get our student athletes back as soon as possible and into a routine. It is what is best for them and it is our job as adults to make it happen.

Lets play..no more delays. We can make this work and keep everyone safe.

I would like to see the fall season pushed back to only play conference games.

We can truly appreciate everything that is coming out, but we need a single voice making the decision and providing leadership. It for sure is not an easy process We are going through this within our own districts, but this is the 11th hour. Our governing body must move and move quickly. Each day we wait, the waters are further muddied and any change in scheduling, guideline protocol becomes increasingly harder and harder.

With us only receiving the OHSAA guidance for individual sports yesterday and the governor's office yet to weigh in on this latest set of guidelines/regulations, it seems unrealistic for school to be able to implement all this and be able to start on August 1. Our school is compiling with health guidelines and due to us being in a red county, we are not even permitting practices yet. We seem to be rushing to start without taking into consideration the implications of what's being asked to the athletic departments across the state. Most of us can't even secure hand sanitizer

The season needs to be delayed-no question. Some county health boards are doing nothing...others are making rules that are VERY stringent. Mike Dewine and Jon Husted NEED to get all these county Health Boards on the same page, because it is ludicrous just talking to other counties and they are all doing things differently. What a joke.

Not sure the guidelines are feasible for small "one-person" athletic departments.

All competitions should be confined to each districts county

No.thx

If you want your student-athletes to have a season, you will find a way to implement these standards.

If we delay there will be less chance. We need to start on time and get as many games in as possible. We are aware the chances of a full season are slim. We only want to give our athletes the opportunity to play as many games as possible. Suggestion. Shorten season to first seven games, and then begin postseason.

anyone talk to transportation yet? My director said he will not have enough buses for Football and will be after 5pm for week day events. FYI.

We are currently awaiting the Board of Education to approve the athletic committee's proposal for guidelines for the start of the fall season. If they don't do that in the next week, we can't start the fall season.

Delay one week so we have time to put new guidelines in place.

We are going to do everything in our power to be as ready to go as possible by August 1st. I think it will be extremely difficult to implement everything that they are asking but we will do the best we can. We want ALL fall sports to start on time

Many of the guidelines recommended by the OHSAA will be extremely difficult to implement efficiently with the staff typical of a high school program. Managing daily practice will be challenging when attempting to screen all fall athletes at the same time. Creating an efficient plan to screen all event staff, officials, and spectators will be extremely labor and time intensive with limited help. What protocols must be followed for sports that train and compete off campus like golf, tennis, and cross country, that often use public parks or private clubs?

Our student-athletes have been practicing and following protocols all summer. If the requirement to test prior to events is lifted by the governor, we should forge ahead!

I think it's in the best interest of our student-athletes to postpone Fall sports until end of August, shortening all Fall, Winter and Spring seasons.

I would like to see competition between schools to begin Aug 31 with a shortened season, possibly only league games. We can make things happen, but I don't know how. I'm not sure how I will have enough staff to handle checking fans temps at games, doing paper tickets, pass gate, and potential online tickets. As an assistant principal as well, I don't know how I'll have time to do parent presale all week and fulfill my other daily obligations. I have limited staffing and everyone is already spread pretty thin. We'll do our best, just hope it's good enough.

Are these GUIDELINES or recommendations?

I really just want to get the kids to school. I am not sure how we are going to wear masks and social distance at school and then go play contact sports. Trust me I want sports back more than anyone!

There is no way that I can make each of these guidelines happen appropriately within a week, if at all the entire season!

How can you have contact sports practicing right now and a mandatory mask policy at the same time. I want fall sports but it makes no sense to me how we can have a state mandate to wear a mask and allow student athletes to participate in sports. My league does not want to have league meeting face to face and hold zoom meetings but allow student athletes to compete with little ability to test our athletes as college and pro organizations are doing. I believe contact sports should be canceled and baseball/softball should be played in the fall.

Delaying will not affect anything one way or the other. Numbers will either go up or down depending on the public. Either you are ready or not.

The only sport I feel should be delayed is football. I find it hard to believe FB will have a season but before saying "NO" to the season, delay practice 2 weeks and first game on current week 3. Play 8 game season with playoffs OR 10 game season without playoffs.

Start all sports after Labor Day.

Can't find touchless thermometers and so far I cannot find instruction on how to sanitize leather balls during play.

Most schools (if not all) do not have the resources or manpower to adequately account for competitions and fans. We must acknowledge the reality that we're faced with.....it makes sense to allow fall sports that can establish social distancing of athletes and canceling those that can not. The same is true for winter sports.

The kids, parents, coaches, etc., need to start on time

If delaying the start helped with making sure Fall sports happened, we are on board

Where a mask when you can. Social distance when you can. If we can't make it work by doing that then everything should be cancelled until further notice.

We have had since March to figure this out. None of guidelines are a surprise.

Why is it so difficult for the OHSAA to give us real guidelines? What they sent out does not give direction.

Question 2 is a loaded question. The current guidelines are not feasible with the testing requirements, all kids, but that requirement will be changed before we actually have to travel. So, no one can actually answer yes unless they have an unlimited budget.

There are a ton of moving parts to this process and things are changing every few hours. We have one time to do this right and keep everyone safe. We have shown we can do a good job of keeping our own school members safe, but need time to make sure we can keep all the other stakeholders safe once we have games and scrimmages.

I'd still be in favor of flipping spring and fall. Spring athletes have been playing already this summer and using social distancing protocol.

We should either flip spring and fall sports or delay the start of fall season. It is just not going to happen.

What guidelines are you talking about? The governor just said yesterday, he has not made a decision on athletics.

Delay the start and push ALL three seasons back

Is the safety of our athletes and coaches being considered? Many collegiate and NFL teams are being cancelled or delayed how is it possible our high school athletes are prepared to move forward as usual? I would love for everything to move forward, but that is not realistic. We are having daily updates and cases are increasing. Are we willing to take a chance with the risks so high? We are suppose to be student athletes. Schools are going remotely. How can we justify moving forward and some schools will/have a choice of going remotely. So, a school is going remotely, but will still have fall sports? Safety should be number 1!

no

Delaying fall sports until Labor Day with the exceptions of Tennis and Golf.

With the new guidelines, I answered "no" because of the inability to meet all of the safety requirements that are "recommended" with the little staffing. This is also assuming that we only have one game going on at our facilities that evening, when we all know that we will have two or three going on at the same time. The 14 day quarantine period question was answered "no" because someone can go to a "hot spot" state and take all of the necessary precautions to minimize the risk of infection. That same person has could go to a "hot spot" within our own state and not take those same precautions and contract COVID. The delay was answered "no" because we will make it work by Aug. 1st if we have a definite answer as to what we are doing: all sports, no sports, non-contact sports only, switching seasons. A solid answer and we will do our best to get it done.

The OHSAA documentation is a joke. There is a reason the Gov has not responded. It has no real direction to it. It looks like a copy and paste document. The football coaches association document makes the OHSAA look like a 1st grade text book. In my opinion there was no real recommendations in it. We have ZERO leadership given by the OHSAA. The entire board of directors need to be removed and put people in place that want to make decisions based on what needs to take place vs a political position of hey look at me.

22 pages of recommendations/rules/etc are very difficult for a small school that has an AD and a part time secretary. I have to find the staff to help do all of the required things. That takes time Practices aren't the issue so I don't see a delay being necessary. It is the scrimmages/games for contact sports where the issues take place so without a plan for those I don't see how we can proceed. Also don't think delaying golf and tennis are necessary. Let them get as many matches in as they can before school starts.

Still feels like we're not doing the right thing having sports when other aspects of life are constricting One week might not be enough a two week period might work better.

Stay on OHSAA calendar. Reduce crowd sizes, limit or eliminate spectators. If its for the kids...let them play as normal a schedule as possible.

The hardest part of all is when the words recommend or suggested are used. To my parents that means not us.

The quarantine "recommendation" is just that, a recommendation. It's impossible to mandate that or force families to decide between keeping their vacation plans or staying to be permitted to participate in preseason/practice with the uncertainty of the upcoming season. A huge concern is the ability to manage the logistics of events and also acquiring the resources needed to do it effectively for the entire year. If we have no spectators and little to no revenue, we are in trouble.

Time is of the essence!

Adding safety regulations which I support while cutting revenue is a tacit canceling sports. I totally support partial seasons so kids don't lose everything. The current restrictions placed on schools does not match up with contact (revenue) sports.

There are too many undecided issues as of 7/23/20 for us to adequately insure that we could begin sports on August 1st. There is much guidance even locally that has not yet been shared or decided and this is something that we all cannot go into half prepared. We have done an amazing job at school in providing a safe environment for our athletes to train in to this point. As official practices begin things will be much more complicated and without additional guidance some of that will be difficult and possibly much more involved.

If the testing requirement remains then we will not be able to conduct contact sports. I am in favor of delay sports until the start of school. I believe that should be our focus (starting school).

Start fall sports on September 8. Why is this so hard. We have to open schools and make sure we can even do that successfully.

We truly can't wait much longer. Not trying to be negative, but, I believe once school and sports are in "full-swing", things will be shut down again, causing even more headaches. Our main concern is having enough staff to implement all of the protocols.

I do not see how delaying really helps anything. Cases continue to rise. The comment I would like to make is a question, if someone (a player or coach) tests positive, will we have to shut down the entire program for 14 days? If that is the case, I do not see how a season will work even if it is delayed.

With no athletic staff, implementing all of the "recommendations" is simply not possible. Plus, Page 1 states to "hold as many meetings virtual if possible" yet we're moving full bore ahead with contact sports, spectators, etc. Truly just comes across as conflicting.

A week delay does nothing to help our cause to get the kids playing. Not playing out of state, so no answer choice that fits. There's not one guideline that should have caught any of us off guard. Safety measures we used all summer covers everything in the guidelines I read Wednesday.

I believe we are pushing for a start way too fast. We need additional time to formulate and implement our plans

The recommendations by OHSAA were too vague. Information provided needs to be detailed on how things should look such as attendance requirements. The government, local health departments, and the OHSAA need to take a leadership role in all of this. As an Athletic Administrator, this is embarrassing by the lack of support.

More mandatory decisions and less recommendations

NO

We need some sort of consistency/guidance/leadership from the OHSAA. With allowing schools to make their own decisions is putting too many cooks in the kitchen. There is no way we are going to be able to facilitate Fall guidelines within 1 weeks time. Delay and plan!

haven't really studied everything yet

Contact vs. non Contact sports are very different. I don't see how you can compete contact sports this fall unless you test every athlete, which is obviously impossible to do at our level, both financially and logistically.

Delay until at least September 1st. We have a statewide mask mandate starting today and we're acting like starting contact sports on August 1st is feasible. The order to allow teams from different schools to compete against each other is also still in effect. If that's not lifted then why proceed as if we are going to start competition.

Delay Fall sports at least until Aug 15th. Even Sept 1st. I can adjust our schedules but give Ohio some time to get virus under control as to give DeWine an opportunity to say "Yes". Right now with numbers he cannot say "yes"

I suggest hold off Fall sports until August 14

I still think we should consider flipping fall and spring sports. Just makes sense.

I said too much on the last survey

Most of the recommendations are not feasible for small departments that are already stretched thin. If there is going to be a fall season, I believe it should be delayed until we see how things shake out over the next couple of weeks. I am also wondering how in the world we are going to make it work at the high school level, when several colleges/conferences have canceled fall sports?

Guidance: 1. Number or % of spectators allowed? 2. Temperature checks for all spectators? 3.

Access to testing and timely test results are a huge problem in our area of the state! Not sure those guidelines are practical!

Delaying the start is much better than starting too early and being shut down again

We will do whatever it takes to put the protocols in place to ensure our student athletes can have a season. They have already been on campus for over a month practicing and we have had great participation and attendance numbers.

Requirements are becoming insurmountable to run an athletic program. I feel that we are put in the position to cancel. It should not be this way.