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MEDIA ADVISORY - With sport schedules and seasons of play for high/middle school sports in the news, the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association today issued the following statement supporting those policies and the Michigan High School Athletic Association, the statewide service organization which helps schools administer games and tournaments.

Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Fully Supports Moving Volleyball, Girls Swimming & Diving and Boys Soccer on as Scheduled Within the Executive Orders From the Governor.

The decision of the Representative Council, the legislative body of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) - allowing Volleyball, Girls Swimming & Diving and Boys Soccer on as scheduled within the Executive Orders of the Governor - the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA) is in full support of the MHSAA. With this decision, the Athletic Administrators have a defined plan of moving forward for those sports for their schools within each region.

As stated in the MHSAA Press Release, when the Executive Orders allow for competition in Boys Soccer, Girls Swim/Dive and Volleyball, school teams may begin as scheduled. The MHSAA has provided directions for Return to Play in these and all other fall sports that schools must follow to provide the safest sport opportunity as possible. Our dedicated Administrators will attempt to make sure the participating students are provided every opportunity to play the games.

The Council has allowed the following changes due to the COVID 19 issues - Football may proceed with voluntary out of season contacts beginning on August 24 - October 31 with only helmets and with more than 4 players, no competitions, and following the Aug 10 - 16 acclimatization protocols. Spring sports may also begin with voluntary out of season contacts on September 8 - October 31, with more than 4 players, and no competitions. More guidance and protocols will be available on the MHSAA website by September 1. For full details and press release go to

<https://www.mhsaa.com/Portals/0/Documents/AD%20Forms/MHSAA%20Guidance%207.pdf>

These two organizations work in concert with each other in all areas. The MIAAA, with more than 600 members, is an active contributor to the MHSAA annually with representation on all MHSAA committees and multiple opportunities to provide input on proposed MHSAA rule and regulation changes.

The MIAAA is a voluntary professional organization for all interscholastic Athletic Administrators in Michigan. The Association is a 501(c)(3) organization working to provide professional development, leadership, and networking opportunities to any person working in school Athletic Departments.