

Dear Moscow School District Stakeholders,

As we move forward within this pandemic, our district leadership has had to make tough decisions that we wish we would never have to confront. However, with the safety of our students, staff and community our first priority, we have concluded that we will need to modify the fall sports programs for both Moscow Middle School and Moscow High School. Starting immediately, we will be changing our extra-curricular sports programs to an intramural format with no travel.

As you know, we started our fall school sports activities recently with the hopes of bringing back some normalcy to our students' lives. Unfortunately, after further review, we have determined that there is too great a risk to our students and community when travelling to other communities, as well as when other communities come to our facilities. We also believe that during some of the activities where masks are unable to be worn due to high levels of exertion, the chance of moisture contact from other athletes is too great.

In our discussions, the largest concern was our inability to have control of the situation as we traveled to other communities, as well as when visitors attended our activities. Therefore, we believe the best action to take at this time is to develop an "Intramural" program within our "Bubble" so our students can continue to participate and improve their skills, but allow us to reduce the risk for our athletes and our community.

For the athletes who wish to participate in this new format we will be refunding a percentage of the fees already paid by our athletes. We will be retaining our coaches to help us with these activities. Further information regarding the new format will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,  
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