July 28, 2020

Colonel Community,

The KHSAA Board of Control met today to discuss numerous items, with the upcoming fall sports season as their primary focus. From their meeting, it was determined that fall sports practices/tryouts will begin on August 24th.

Soccer and Cross Country will begin tryouts/practice on August 24th with games/meets beginning the week of September 7th. Our first soccer game will take place on September 8th at McNicholas.

Football will begin with helmet only practices on <u>August 24th</u> with the first varsity regular season game <u>on September 11th</u> at Dixie Heights. One additional week of a regular season was added on <u>November 6th</u>, with the playoffs <u>beginning on November 13th</u>. The state finals at Kroger Field were moved to <u>December 11th and 12th</u>.

<u>Until August 24th</u>, the non-Golf fall sports have the option to continue voluntary, no-contact workouts and conditioning in small groups under the same guidelines of the previous four weeks. As has been the case since July 13th, our focus will remain on fall student-athletes and coaches. As such, the only organized group activities or workouts permitted on campus will be for our fall teams.

We are very appreciative and supportive of the KHSAA and the Board of Control in their decisions during this challenging time. Along with the KHSAA, our administrators, coaches, medical team and staff continue to do everything possible for us to have a Fall athletic season. We encourage everyone to do their part to ensure that we are able to have a Fall athletic season. While we are excited to return to athletics, these next few weeks are critical. Our athletic teams pride themselves on the field with discipline, and we need that in our everyday interactions. Please control what you can so we can see our Colonels back on the field of competition.

Go Colonels!

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