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**CIF Statement Regarding 2020-21 Sports Calendar and Bylaw Modifications**

**SACRAMENTO, CALIF.** – The California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) has determined, in collaboration with our 10 Sections, that education-based athletics for the 2020-2021 school year will begin with a modified season of sport schedule (see following pages for 2020-21 sports calendar). Our calendar reflects the season for each CIF sport and the last date for Section Championships and Regional/State Championships in those sports where a Regional/State Championship is currently offered. Following this announcement, each CIF Section Office will release their own calendar to reflect regular season starting and ending dates and Section playoffs. It is anticipated that most Section start dates will commence in December 2020 or January 2021.

We are continuously monitoring the directives and guidelines released from the Governor's Office, the California Department of Education, the California Department of Public Health, and local county health departments and agencies as these directives and guidelines are followed by our member schools/school districts with student health and safety at the forefront. As these guidelines change, CIF Sections may allow for athletic activity to potentially resume under the summer period rules of the local Section. Also, given this calendar change, the CIF has temporarily suspended Bylaws 600-605 (Outside Competition) in all sports for the 2020-21 school year (see the following pages for more specific information related to these changes).

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## 2020-21 CIF Sports Calendar

*as of July 20, 2020*

Sport	Last Day for Section Playoffs	*Last Day for Regional/State Championships
<b>FALL</b>		
Volleyball (Boys & Girls)	March 13, 2021	March 20, 2021
Water Polo (Boys & Girls)	March 13, 2021	March 20, 2021
Cross Country	March 20, 2021	March 27, 2021
Trad. Competitive Cheer	Determined by Section	April 17, 2021
Football	April 10, 2021	April 17, 2021
Field Hockey	Determined by Section	**
Gymnastics	Determined by Section	**
Skiing & Snowboarding	Determined by Section	**
<b>SPRING</b>		
Badminton	May 22, 2021	May 29, 2021
Soccer	May 29, 2021	June 5, 2021
Swimming & Diving	May 29, 2021	June 5, 2021
Tennis (Boys & Girls)	May 29, 2021	June 5, 2021
Wrestling	June 5, 2021	June 12, 2021
Basketball	June 12, 2021	June 19, 2021
Golf (Boys & Girls)	June 12, 2021	June 23, 2021
Baseball	June 19, 2021	June 26, 2021
Softball	June 19, 2021	June 26, 2021
Track & Field	June 19, 2021	June 26, 2021
^Competitive Sport Cheer	Determined by Section	**
Lacrosse	Determined by Section	**

*\*Regional/State Championship events have been reduced to one week for all sports*

*\*\* Regional/State Championship events are not currently offered by the State CIF in these sports*

*^CSC teams are approved to compete in season culminating tournament on June 12*



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**Pursuant to Bylaw 1108, the CIF Executive Director issues the following notice:**

**Temporary Extension of Bylaws 501.F and 501.G (Summer Period)**

Given that the CIF has moved the start of its traditional seasons of sport to December 2020, once allowed by the appropriate state and local agencies, CIF Sections may extend their summer period up until the first date of their Fall regular season sports calendar. All summer period activities must be authorized by the member school's principal/designee. As per CIF Article 23, local schools, school districts, leagues, and Sections may develop a more restrictive rule than the CIF State Office with respect to the aforementioned Bylaws.

**Temporary Reconfiguration of Bylaws 504.E. and H. (Season of Sport)**

As per the 2020-21 sports calendar above, the CIF has made adjustments to the traditional seasons of sport. Each CIF Section will release their own calendar to reflect regular season starting and ending dates and Section playoffs. It is anticipated that most Section start dates will commence in December 2020 or January 2021.

**Temporary Suspension of Bylaws 600-605 (Outside Competition)**

Due to the need to move sports to non-traditional times of the year, the CIF is temporarily suspending Bylaws 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, and 605 for all sports for the 2020-21 school year. Accordingly, students will be allowed to participate on an outside team at the same time they participate on their high school team. As per CIF Article 23, local schools, school districts, leagues, and Sections may develop a more restrictive rule than the CIF State Office with respect to the aforementioned Bylaws.

Each of the above Bylaw modifications are effective as of July 20, 2020 and remain in effect for the 2020-21 school year only.

**Please see the link below for the CIF State Constitution and Bylaws:**

<https://cifstate.org/governance/constitution/index>