



## Oregon School Activities Association

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### **OSAA Golf Contingency Group Meeting**

The OSAA Golf Contingency Group met on Thursday, January 7. Initially, all Season 3 contingency groups met together with OSAA Staff to initialize conversations and to understand their purpose and how we got to where we are in this process.

After initial conversations, each contingency group broke out into separate work sessions to discuss their activity individually.

The main thing that the group focused on was that golf is permitted by the Governor's Office and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) guidelines and the OSAA fully expects a high school golf season to take place in the spring of 2021. Knowing that golf can proceed and fits nicely into the physical distancing measures, the group turned its focus to the culminating week philosophies.

Overall, the group supports the idea of having a state championship for golf but understands the hurdles associated to getting to that point. A number of school districts have already indicated that they will not travel out of a certain radius from their school. In addition, there has been discussion of schools requesting that the OSAA Culminating Week be given back to the schools so they can extend the participation limitations to all levels of play and be able to run a local/regional event on their own.

There was limited conversation about the possible extension of Season 3 if the activities within Season 4 can't take place. The goal of the OSAA and its membership is to have Season 4 activities proceed but if those prohibitions are not lifted, then would Season 3 be extended to give more participation opportunities in those activities. The golf group was interested in the possibility but would want to know by mid-April if the season was to be extended and would like the culminating week to be at the end of the season. If the season is extended, they want to be cognizant of OGA events that would start in early summer.

The OSAA staff will keep the Committee up to date with changes in the calendar as the year progresses as those philosophies could span into Season 3. The OSAA Executive Board's next public meeting is February 8 where some culminating week philosophies may be articulated as Season 2 is about to begin.

The next meeting for the Committee has yet to be determined. If you would like to provide feedback to the group, please contact Kyle Stanfield at [kyles@osaa.org](mailto:kyles@osaa.org).