

Oregon School Activities Association

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OSAA Golf Contingency Group Meeting

The OSAA Golf Contingency Group met on Thursday, November 19. Initially, all Season 4 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.

Summation of Conversation:

- 1) The Golf Contingency Committee discussed the golf course survey that was sent out via the Oregon Golf Association (OGA) in October. From the feedback, the group was pleasantly surprised that golf courses would still support high school golf even though it extends into a busy time for golf courses. The OSAA and Golf Contingency Group appreciate the support of the OGA and the golf courses around the state.
- 2) The group discussed several other topics and ideas that have come forward since their last meeting and for upcoming Executive Board meetings. Those conversations surrounded:
 - a. Condensing of the Season: if a further condensing of a season was necessary, golf would make it work. The overall sentiment is that golf just wants a season.
 - b. If other activities were moved to Season 4: even though not ideal, the group feels that offering those opportunities of students is more important than preserving their own activity.
- 3) Culminating Weeks will continue to be one of the largest discussion items for all contingency groups but with golf being so far away, the group is going to wait to provide any recommendations to the Executive Board until there is greater clarity on the social and educational landscape. The group is aware that the traditional structure of a state championship may not be possible. Modifications like moving to an 18-hole event, limited number of teams/qualifiers and regional type of play may be alterations that could be necessary depending on what schools are able to do starting in April.

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 4.

The Golf Contingency Group will meet again at the beginning of 2021. If you would like to provide feedback to the group, please contact Kyle Stanfield at kyles@osaa.org.