

## **RESTARTING AND OPERATING ATHLETICS AND OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DURING AND IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

The Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky has issued a guidance document for the resumption of youth sports and athletic events during and following the COVID-19 pandemic by and through a guidance document entitled Guidelines for Youth Sports and Athletic Activities, which will likely be amended from time to time as circumstances change.

The Kentucky Department of Education acting by and through its designate, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, has issue further and more specific guidance with respect to the resumption of high school and middle school sports during and following the COVID-19 pandemic in a document dated May 29, 2020, entitled Return to Participation in Sports and Sport-Activities Guidance for High Schools and Middle Schools, which will likely be amended from time to time as circumstances change.

It is anticipated that guidance will quickly change, and that additional guidance will come from various federal and state agencies.

It is important for the health of students that athletics and other extracurricular activities be resumed as such activities can be safely resumed.

The Superintendent or his designee is authorized to issue such administrative procedures, rules, and guidelines as the Superintendent or his designee determines necessary during and following the COVID-19 pandemic for the safe and orderly resumption of athletics and other extracurricular activities in accordance with applicable laws, orders, and guidelines issued by the state or federal authorities including, but not limited to, administrative procedures, rules, and guidelines pertaining to participation, testing, sanitization, protective personal equipment, transportation, eligibility, practices, workouts, contests, and competitions.