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MSHSAA Cancels Spring Post-Season Events

Columbia, Mo- Following Governor Parson's announcement this afternoon, of in-person school closure for the remainder of the school year, the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) announces the cancellation of all remaining post-season events for the 2019-20 school year.

"This decision is very difficult for all involved especially given the impact it will have on our students, parents, coaches, teachers, and administrators throughout the state," said MSHSAA Executive Director Dr. Kerwin Urhahn. "We thank all of the participants, the coaches/directors/advisors, the administrations, the parents, and everyone else who has dedicated tremendous amounts of time, passion, and effort to these events."

The biggest impact of this decision will be felt by the seniors, many of whom have exhausted their eligibility without taking the field, court or course.

"To our senior participants- we thank you for everything you have done for your schools and communities and wish you the very best in your bright futures," Urhahn continued. "While this is a difficult ending, the lessons you've learned and friendships you've made through high school activities will last your lifetime."

"The MSHSAA office thanks everyone involved for their patience and understanding throughout this process," said Urhahn.

The MSHSAA staff looks forward to the resumption of high school activities during the 2020-21 school year, and will continue work on those events at this time.

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"The MSHSAA promotes the value of participation, sportsmanship, team play and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support the democratic principles of our state and nation."