

*CCCCAA COVID-19 Working Group – Recommendations for Athletics in the 2020-21 Academic Year*

*The following framework was created by the CCCCCA COVID-19 Working Group (WG) to provide guidance to the organization and its member institutions as we transition out of a shelter-in-place environment for the Fall 2020 semester. While this guidance is not perfect, it should nonetheless provide opportunity for student-athletes to experience the many benefits of being part of intercollegiate athletics. With that thought in mind, it is important to note that one of the primary guiding themes of this effort has been to ensure we field teams for the Fall semester regardless of whether or not we are ultimately able to compete. The worst case would be that we all have teams full of young men and women that still need our guidance athletically, academically, and socially and fielding teams provides them with the motivation and structure to enroll and excel in higher education. Our collective objective must be about more than competition. In accordance with our system's Vision for Success and most of our missions, it must be about student success, retention, and equity!*

**Guiding Principles**

**1. Health, Safety and Mitigation**

The health and safety of all CCCCCA student-athletes, coaching staffs, fans, and everyone involved, as well as assisting in the mitigation of the spread of the disease are paramount in all recommendations made by the WG.

**2. Student Opportunity**

As aligned with mission of California's community colleges, the WG strives to preserve the opportunities for our student-athletes to transfer and continue to improve their social and economic mobility.

**3. Budget and Financial Consideration**

Given the Governor's May revised budget, the WG recognizes the fact that each individual district and/or institution is facing budget pressure for the upcoming fiscal year.

**4. Equity**

By preserving athletics, we are preserving the opportunity for student-athletes (in which nearly 80% are in a disproportionately impacted group) to close the achievement gap statewide.

**5. Other**

Athletics are a vital part of each institution and the WG is working to reinforce that foundation as much as possible with what is being presented.

All sports will follow the plan being presented.

## **Compromises**

- Each district and/or institution will have a local athletic training plan that follows all guidelines set forth by the Governor of California, the State Chancellor's office, local county and city guidelines, as well as local district and/or institutional decisions on following all governing bodies' edicts on COVID-19. Please find the California Community College Athletic Training Association (CCCATA) plan found [here](#)
- All Fall sports or seasons executed in the Fall will finish prior to Thanksgiving. Start and end dates for Spring sports or seasons executed in the spring will be altered. The modifications to the seasons are to avoid competition being played during the peak flu season and projected window of coronavirus reoccurrence.
- Plans A, B and C reduce the competitive season to 75% of the maximum allowed per sport. Plan D reduces the competitive season to 70% and all plans are inclusive of a culminating event per conference, per sport.
- All plans offer student-athletes an ample opportunity for a competitive season and a chance to transfer to a four-year institution.
- The conference culminating event is the end of the season, as CCCAA regional and state championships are eliminated for the 2020-21 academic year. This is being done to reduce travel and to limit exposure outside of each region.
- All competitions will fall within the district and/or institution's travel guidelines.
- NTS, showcases, tournaments and practices outside of regularly scheduled classes (or the competitive season as indicated in the contingency plans) are prohibited through June 30, 2021.
- Double-duals and similar formats are permitted provided county, district and/or institutional protocols are strictly followed for such events.
- Sports will alter rules/protocols to fit social distancing and any other practices where necessary.
- Plans A and B move basketball to the spring, Plan C only permits certain no-contact or minimal sports to operate in the fall and all full-contact fall sports moved to the spring. Plan D moves all sports to the spring.
- It is strongly recommended that only essential personnel are permitted for practices and competitions until the state is in Stage 4. However, districts and/or institutions may make their own decisions as permitted by the county and their own policies as it relates to others at practices and competition.
- Competition allows for contests to be filmed for recruiting purposes

Plan A is in place from date of adoption until July 10. If on July 10, it is still unsafe to execute athletics within Plan A's framework, we then move to Plan B.

Plan B is in place from July 10 until August 3. If on August 3, it is still unsafe to execute athletics within Plan B's framework, we then move to Plan C.

Plan C is in place from August 3 until August 17. If on August 17, it is still unsafe to execute athletics within Plan C's framework, we then move to Plan D.

Plan D is in place from August 17, and will be reviewed as needed until January, unless it is determined that athletics are unable to operate safely.

May 26, 2020

## CCCAA COVID-19 WORKING GROUP - PLAN A

Plan A is in place from date of adoption through July 10  
If not safe to execute Plan A on July 10, we move to Plan B

<b>Fall Sports</b>	<b>Contact Level</b>	<b>Normal/COVID-19 Term of Competition</b>	<b>Practice Start Date</b>	<b>Competition Start Date</b>	<b>Season End Date</b>	<b>Maximum Number of Contest/Dates/Games Currently Permissible</b>	<b>75% of Season</b>
Cross Country	Non-contact	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	8 Contests	6
Football	Full-contact	Fall/Fall	8/10/20	9/4/20	11/7/20	10 Contests + 1 Scrimmage	8 + 1 scrim.
Women's Golf	Non-contact	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	19 Contests	14
Soccer	Full-contact	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	22 Games	17
Women's Volleyball	Minimal	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	24 Dates	18
Water Polo	Full-contact	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	18 Dates	14
Wrestling	Full-contact	Fall/Fall	8/15/20	8/27/20	11/7/20	15 Dates	11
Basketball	Full-contact	Fall/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	28 Contests	21
<b>Spring Sports</b>							
Badminton	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	19 Dates	14
Baseball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	40 Games + 2 Scrimmages	30 + 2 scrim.
Beach Volleyball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	12 Dates	9
Men's Golf	Non-contact	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	19 Contests	14
Softball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	40 Games + 2 Scrimmages	30 + 2 scrim.
Swim & Dive	Non-contact	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	11 Meets	8
Tennis	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	26 Dates	20
Track & Field	Non-contact	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	13 Contests	10
Men's Volleyball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/11/21	21 Dates	16

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Women's Golf	Non-contact	Fall/Fall	9/7/20	9/18/20	11/21/20	19 Contests	14
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Football	Full-contact	Fall/Spring	2/15/21	3/1/21	5/8/21	10 Contests + 1 Scrimmage	8 + 1 scrim.
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Baseball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	3/15/21	4/1/21	6/6/21	40 Games + 2 Scrimmages	30 + 2 scrim.
Beach Volleyball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	3/15/21	4/1/21	6/6/21	12 Dates	9
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Cross Country	Non-contact	Fall/Spring	2/1/21	2/15/21	4/17/20	8 Contests	6
Football	Full-contact	Fall/Spring	2/1/21	2/15/21	4/17/20	10 Contests + 1 Scrimmage	7 + 1 scrim.
Women's Golf	Non-contact	Fall/Spring	2/1/21	2/15/21	4/17/20	19 Contests	13
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Baseball	Minimal	Spring/Spring	4/3/21	4/17/21	6/19/21	40 Games + 2 Scrimmages	28 + 2 scrim.
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