November 20, 2020

Dear Nordonia students, parents, coaches, and opponents:

The Nordonia Hills City School District understands and values the character development and life skills achieved through interscholastic athletic participation. With that being said, the district administration has made the decision to move forward with our winter athletic programs at both the High School and Middle School levels. Our student-athletes need and deserve the opportunity to continue participating in athletics during the ongoing pandemic. We will continue to look out for the safety and well-being of all our student-athletes and school community as a whole.

The Summit County Public Health Department released a new order on Thursday, November 19, 2020. The order recommends that gatherings of 10 be prohibited through December 16, 2020. Therefore, **no spectators** will be permitted to attend **HOME** athletic contests being hosted by the Nordonia Hills City Schools through December 16, 2020. We are currently working with Nordonia Hills News to provide live streaming of games on their Facebook page and YouTube channel. This decision was not reached lightly, a great deal of thought and collaboration was involved. However, we believe it is our responsibility to abide by the Public Health Order and contribute to the reduction of corona virus community spread.

In addition to prohibiting spectators while the current health order is in place, all senior night ceremonies will be postponed as well. It is our sincere hope that athletic senior nights will take place later in the season if the current spike in COVID-19 cases subsides.

Thank you for your understanding as we continue to deal with the challenges presented by the pandemic. We will continue to do everything in our power to provide meaningful athletic experiences for our student-athletes.

Sincerely,

Rob Eckenrode, CAA

Certified Athletic Administrator

Athletic Director, Nordonia Hills City School