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DATE: February 11, 2021
TO: High School Students and Families
FROM: Jeff Lowell, District Athletics and Activities Director
RE: Weekly high school athletics update

Over the last week, athletic directors and other administrators in Bellevue and the other eight KingCo Conference school districts have worked diligently to finalize plans for the upcoming sports seasons.

Pay to Play and Transportation Fees

Registration requirements for our high schools are included on the district’s [high school athletics page](#). One step of the registration process details a fee requirement for participants. *The decision has been made to waive* the \$100 Pay to Play and the \$50 Transportation fee, so for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year, students will not be required to pay either of these fees. If any participant or family has questions about fees, please contact the athletics and activities department through [Let’s Talk](#).

We encourage all families to review program offerings available to students. We want new registrations and are available to assist students to find something that interests them. Please remember that for participants to be cleared and eligible for the upcoming seasons, all registration requirements must be completed prior to March 1 for Season 1 sports. If any participant or family has questions about registration, including the physical and IMPACT testing requirements, please contact the athletics and activities department through [Let’s Talk](#).

KingCo Conference Scheduling

Traditionally KingCo schools have built schedules based on WIAA classifications. For the 2020-2021 sports seasons, schools will be grouped into geographic divisions. These divisions will assist athletic directors and other school personnel in the planning of safe competitions for all participants.

Our four schools will play in a division with Mercer Island High school for all sports except football. The divisions will be:

<u>Division for all sports except football</u>	<u>Football Division</u>	<u>Football Division</u>	<u>Football Division</u>
<i>Bellevue</i>	<i>Bellevue</i>	Hazen	Evergreen
<i>Newport</i>	Issaquah	Liberty	Highline
Mercer Island	Skyline	Mercer Island	Foster
<i>Sammamish</i>	Mount Si	<i>Newport</i>	Lindbergh
<i>Interlake</i>			Renton
			<i>Interlake</i>
			<i>Sammamish</i>

Specific schedules are currently being built and will be created with KingCo mandated maximum contest limitations for 2020-21. Specific dates and times for all KingCo Conference games will be posted on each school's athletics page.

Water Polo and Lacrosse Season Dates

The governing organizations for Lacrosse and Water Polo have finalized their seasonal calendars:

- Girls and Boys Water Polo will be offered from May 3rd to June 12th.
- Girls and Boys Lacrosse will be offered from April 19th to June 12th.

Next Week's Updates

Next week's update will include information about transportation, further academic eligibility information, and a preview of what participants can expect from the first few days of Season 1.

Thank you for your continued support of our shared commitment to all the safety measures we currently have in place. These efforts continue to make a difference in our community and will help us provide safe programs for high school students across the district. We are all excited as we prepare for the beginning of these seasons on March 1.

If you have additional questions, please contact the Athletics and Activities Department by email (lowellj@bsd405.org or arnonea@bsd405.org), phone (425-456-4010 or 425-456-4050) or [Let's Talk](#).

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- [Friday January 29, 2021](#) (General update about KingCo Conference athletics)
- [Thursday February 4, 2021: Chinese](#) | [Spanish](#) (Registration, February Conditioning, Academic Eligibility)