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Dear North Crawford Families,

On Monday, November 9th, the North Crawford School Board unanimously approved the district moving forward with winter athletics as scheduled following COVID protocols established by the district and Ridge and Valley Conference. While we are excited to give our student-athletes opportunities to play and compete, we also expect we are going to need to show a great deal of patience and flexibility throughout the winter.

First, I want to thank our fall athletes and coaches for their patience and diligence in following district protocols throughout the season. Because of this, we were able to have a successful fall athletics season at North Crawford.

The following winter athletic seasons will begin as scheduled. High school girls' basketball will begin practice on Monday, November 16th. High school boys' basketball, high school wrestling, and middle school wrestling will all begin practice on Monday, November 23rd. The middle school girls' basketball teams will start practice on Monday, December 28th. The middle school boys' basketball teams will begin practice on Monday, February 8th. Additional details with practice and game schedules will be sent home from individual coaches.

The success of our winter athletics season will depend greatly on everyone's cooperation with COVID protocols. One important protocol that is in place across the Ridge and Valley Conference is all participants will wear appropriate face coverings at all times. This includes before, during, and after their respective practices or games/meets. Athletes will be able to remove their masks while drinking water, but otherwise must keep their masks on at all times. This is not unique to North Crawford, as all teams in the conference will be doing the same thing, as well as teams from other conferences across the state. Other COVID protocols specific to each sport will be shared with the student-athletes and parents.

I am sad to report that at this time, North Crawford will not be allowing spectators at our home games and meets. Crawford County remains in Phase 1 at this time, and possibly into the foreseeable future. The County's guidelines within Phase 1 include only 10 spectators at indoor events. It is not feasible for us to fairly allow 10 spectators, thus to follow the guidelines and for the safety of our student-athletes and coaches, we will not be allowing spectators until we see an improvement at the county level and they are able to upgrade to Phase 2. The Ridge and Valley Conference has specified that no more than 2 spectators per athlete will be allowed to attend games in person, so parents should plan on only 2 spectators per athlete for away events. As we did this fall, all of our home and away events will be live streamed so people can watch from the comfort of their home. This is a free service available to anyone who has access to a device and internet.



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All of us have a collective responsibility to do what we can to allow our Trojan athletes to continue to play and compete this winter. Please try to follow guidelines and recommendations, meaning stay at home as much as possible, avoid large group gatherings, wear your face coverings when in public, physical distance when possible, and follow other protocols as necessary. One student or family behaving selfishly and recklessly puts the entire team and program at risk. Let's all continue to work together to provide these opportunities to our student-athletes.

If you have specific questions regarding athletics, please feel free to email me at tvolden@ncrawford.k12.wi.us or call me directly at (608) 624-5201. Thank you again for your cooperation and understanding. GO TROJANS!!

Respectfully,

Tina Volden, Athletic Director