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Good afternoon Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond football fans. Well, as you are all well aware the weather has turned a little wet the last few days which has thrown us a curveball with tomorrow night's scheduled Varsity football game versus the Cumberland Pirates. The game was originally scheduled for tomorrow night at Cumberland high school and unfortunately with all the rain we have received their field has been deemed unplayable. We spent the afternoon inspecting our field and discussing alternative options in order to still hold the contest and we believe we have a great solution.

We currently have 3 Varsity football games, 2 J.V. football games and 4 Soccer games left to play on the field and with all of the recent rain we have experienced we were fearful of damaging the field and putting those future games in jeopardy. We recently were able to move a Soccer game to Lovington due to similar reasons, which was helpful, but we ultimately would like to host as many of the remaining games here at the high school if possible.

So, with all of that reasoning in mind we were able to work hard and find what we feel like is a great solution and wonderful opportunity for tomorrow's game. We have reached out to Maroa-Forsyth High School and reached an agreement to host the game at their high school on their turf field. There are some time and logistical changes that are communicated below, which I understand for some may be a challenge, but ultimately we are excited for the opportunity for our kids to experience those Friday night lights again! A huge thank you goes out to Coach Jefferson and his staff for their flexibility in making this happen as well as the Cumberland Pirates for their flexibility in making the long trip to Maroa for the opportunity for our kids to compete. Also, a huge thank you to the Maroa-Forsyth administration and communities for allowing us the opportunity to begin our season.

The game will now start promptly at 6:00 pm in Maroa, at the high school. The address for the high school is 610 West Washington Street Road, Maroa. Due to the uncertainty of the stadium capacity we had to make some last minute adjustments on ticket distribution. Both schools have agreed to provide two tickets for each football player, and 2 tickets for each cheerleader. You must have a ticket to enter the stadium and once inside our bleachers will be located on the home side of the field. We will not have an opportunity to "pod" the stadium so we are asking for your cooperation in social distancing and wearing a mask once you have found your way to the bleachers. We are asking that you sit in groups of two, by ticket and please stay the mandated 6 feet apart from others in the bleachers, with your mask properly worn. For those that want to watch the game, but do not have a ticket, the game will be broadcast on theroundtabletv.com. Thank you Mr. Davis and Mr. Schrock for their flexibility and traveling to Maroa to broadcast.

We understand that this may not be ideal for everyone, but in a time crunch we feel this is the best opportunity for our football players and cheerleaders to begin their seasons on time and potentially be able to continue those seasons throughout the rest of the scheduled season. Thanks for your understanding and Go Knights!!!!

Sincerely,

Mr. Nathan Seal

Assistant Principal/Athletic Director