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Extracurricular, Co-Curricular, and Athletics Update

In our return to hybrid, it has been refreshing to see the faces of students back on our campuses. Like all of us, students are eager to get back to a sense of normalcy. With that, we fully understand the importance of athletics, extracurricular, and co-curricular activities in the lives of our students.

As we all strive for a sense of normalcy, we are also reminded of the importance of following current health and safety protocols for the greater good of our community. An outbreak of positive COVID-19 cases in our schools has the potential to:

- Shut down our athletic, extracurricular, and co-curricular activities.
- Impact our return to hybrid and potentially prolong our move to a full return to campus.
- Move our County back into a “red” status with the State which could have a substantial impact on businesses as well as our individual access to activities we all enjoy.
- Possibly overwhelm our local medical system with cases.

With these potential issues in mind, we are requesting that students strictly adhere to the guidelines we have set forth for athletic, extracurricular, and co-curricular activities. These guidelines were developed with guidance from the El Dorado County Public Health Department and have been designed to provide students opportunities to engage in activities, while still protecting our students, staff, and community from spreading COVID-19. Among the areas where we need students to show a reaffirmed commitment are:

- Consistently wearing masks, covering both mouth and nose, during indoor activities.
- Maintaining social distancing during indoor activities.
- Frequently washing hands and following good hygiene and sanitization practices.
- Refraining from sharing personal items such as towels and water bottles.
- Not attending events, practices, or activities if showing any signs of illness or if exposed to someone who is ill or diagnosed with COVID-19.

Together, we can make a difference in both our school communities and in El Dorado County as a whole. Thank you for your commitment to the health and safety of everyone as our students engage in the activities they enjoy.