



WASHINGTON INTERSCHOLASTIC  
ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

**Form Submission: Request to Change Scheduled Sport Season**  
**2020-21 school year**  
**Date Received : 1/7/2021 14:25:14**

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**League / District Requesting Change:** WESCO  
**WIAA District:** District 1  
**WIAA Region:** A  
**Form Completed By:** Don Dalziel  
**Role / Job Title:** WESCO President/Shoreline District AD

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**The information below is specific to the request:**

**Sport(s) :** All Sports-Fall, Spring, Winter order of offering  
**Classification(s) :** 2A/3A/4A  
**Start date being requested:** February 22, 2021  
**End date being requested:** June 12, 2021  
**# of weeks for the requested season:** 6-7 weeks. Will depend on Which option we need to use

**Plan for culminating event for the requested season:**

No culminating events. Goal is to provide as much opportunity for Student-Athletes to participate, without having to focus on post season advancement.

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**Detailed explanation of WHY the request is being made to alter the sport season for this sport, classification and league/district/region:**

Will attach the entire proposal in last question:

Summary: Wesco athletic directors recently made decisions regarding the offering of sports seasons in 2021. Last month the WIAA announced that schools could begin competing in winter sports on February 1. (Changed on 1/6 to Fall sports first and winter/spring TBA). With the WIAA



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announcement leagues were given the authority by the WIAA board to develop a different plan, if necessary. WESCO has chosen a Fall, Spring, Winter format feeling that this provides the best opportunity for all sports to be able to participate. We have back up plans for moving sports or seasons around if road blocks persist. Please note: WESCO understands that final approval of any plan rests with the WIAA and each Wesco superintendent.

In an attempt to provide a legitimate opportunity for all sports to have a chance to be played this year, Wesco ADs are proposing the following. Three weeks before the start of each season, ADs will determine if the COVID and school metrics will allow for individual sports to be played. If a specific sport cannot be played in its scheduled season, it will be moved to one of the other seasons. ADs will strive to manage facility conflicts and protect spring sports as much as possible.

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### **Indicate who has been involved in this request and their stance on this request :**

All WESTERN CONFERENCE athletic directors have been part of this process for our change request. The vote for this plan has been taken back and forth between AD's to its community, coaches and admin for feedback. While no plan is perfect we feel the later start falling after the traditional Mid Winter break (2.22.21), provides a more realistic date for any potential launch of athletics, especially when needing Superintendent approval.

### **Additional Information :**

Here is a link to the complete plan: <https://www.shorelineschools.org/Domain/82>

Also pasted below here:

Below is a summary of the Wesco minutes.

Wesco athletic directors recently made decisions regarding the offering of sports seasons in the new year. Last month the WIAA announced that schools could begin competing in winter sports on February 1. However, leagues were given the authority by the WIAA board to develop a different plan, if necessary. Final approval of any plan rests with the WIAA and each Wesco superintendent.

In an attempt to provide a legitimate opportunity for all sports to have a chance to be played this year, Wesco ADs are proposing the following. Three weeks before the start of each season, ADs will determine if the COVID and school metrics will allow for individual sports to be played. If a specific



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This is the proposed 3-season plan:

Seasons will be played in Fall, Spring, Winter order.

Each season will be 6 weeks long (1 week for practices, 5 weeks for competition)

Fall sports:

Decision Date: February 1

First Practice: February 22

First competition week: March 1

Season End: April 3

Spring sports:

Decision Date: March 8

First Practice: March 29

First competition week: April 5

Season End: May 8

Winter sports:

Decision Date: April 12

First Practice: May 3

First competition week: May 10

Season End: June 12

If individual fall sports need to be moved to alternate seasons, the following will take place.

Football - with winter sports

Girls Soccer - with winter sports

Cross Country - with winter sports

Boys Tennis - with winter sports

Volleyball - with spring sports

Girls Swim - with spring sports

If we are unable to offer all of the fall sports in February, the league will condense to 2 seasons of 7 weeks each (1 practice, 6 competition) with the following dates.

Proposed 2-season plan:

Spring sports plus volleyball and girls swim:

Decision Date: February 15



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First Practice: March 8

First competition week: March 15

Season End: April 24

Winter sports plus football, cross country, boys tennis, girls soccer

Decision Date: April 12

First Practice: May 3

First competition week: May 10

Season End: April 24

Finally, if our time gets squeezed and we can only offer one season, we will cancel fall and winter sports and only offer spring sports. If we get to that situation, we will determine specific dates.

Competitive Dance, Drill and Flags are still awaiting WIAA guidance

Schedules are being developed and it is hoped they will be finalized by mid-January.

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**Approved / Denied**

**Executive Director Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_