



To: Principals, Fine Arts Educators, Athletic Directors, Activity Sponsors and Coaches

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RE: Updated Extra-curricular Activity & Sporting Guidance

Amid a surge in Covid-19 cases across the state of Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards has released new Covid-19 guidance to all K-12 Schools. Governor Edwards and the state's leading medical experts have urged K-12 schools to enforce universal masking and social distancing and consider suspending after-school activities to curb the spread of Covid-19.

In order to create a safe environment for students, staff, and community members during extra-curricular activities and sporting events, all EBRPSS activities for the month of January will allow for a maximum 50% spectator capacity. The reduction in crowd size will allow for proper social distancing and we will reevaluate this guidance at the end of January. This guidance should apply to all indoor sporting events, fine arts performances and gatherings in school building not explicitly outlined.

Additionally, the East Baton Rouge Parish School System will continue implementing the following safety practices:

1. Require mask wearing at all EBRPSS sponsored events.
2. Emphasize that participants and staff should stay away from the event if they feel unwell (have fever or cough).
3. Encourage all students participating in extra-curricular activities to test consistently for Covid-19.
4. Prioritize that all frequently touched surfaces during practices and games throughout the venue are thoroughly cleaned prior to the event with EBRPSS approved disinfectants and that adequate cleaning supplies are available for use during the event.
5. Provide hand-sanitizing stations throughout the area to promote proper hand hygiene.

Thank you for your continued support in mitigating the spread of Covid-19 in our community.

