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Memo To: All Section IV Schools (CSOs, HS Principals, ADs)

From: Section IV Executive Committee

Concerning: Section IV Sports

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The Section IV Executive Board is constantly monitoring the current health and safety issues affecting all of us and will communicate any new policies and procedures that may come from the NYSPHSAA or the Governor's Office during this time.

Today, you should have received a notice from Dr. Robert Zayas regarding the cancellations of the remaining Winter State Championship tournaments (boys basketball, girls basketball, bowling, ice hockey). We are sorry that our 12 Section IV teams and numerous individual bowlers who qualified for state competition will not have proper closure to their 2019-2020 seasons, but we understand and support this decision. The NYSPHSAA is working on a plan to recognize all of the teams and individuals who made it this far.

The NYSPHSAA will decide whether the 2020 Spring State Championships will take place by April 27. Once schools are back in session, the focus will be on regular-season play for spring sports, followed by league and sectional championships, if possible. Spring State Championships will be the last concern.

We are in constant communication with the NYSPHSAA Office through weekly conference calls and will keep you up to date on any communications we receive. Please feel free to contact me, Ben Nelson, at the Section IV Office or on my cell phone with questions. Stay healthy.

Yours in Sports,

Ben Nelson and the Section IV Executive Board