

## MEMO Superintendent's Department

Date: September 2, 2021

**To:** Principals and Vice Principals

From: Tony Marchione, Acting Director Research, Planning and Technology

**Re:** Sports Program Protocols

While school sports programs have many benefits, Winnipeg School Division continues to work within the Provincial Public Health guidelines to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students, staff, and families. We remain hopeful that sports leagues will resume in the near future.

As of September 8, 2021, Winnipeg School Division sports program protocols include:

- Schools who are interested in offering students the opportunity to participate in skill development programs will be required to adhere to the Return to Train Protocols.
- Return to Training Protocols for the purpose of skill development have been developed for Football, Cross Country, Hockey, Volleyball, and Basketball. For your convenience links to the protocols have been included in this memo.
- Once a skill development group is formed this will constitute a cohort. This cohort must remain together for all practices.
- Practice is limited to drills and skill development only.
- Please consider the availability of coaches, supervisors, and facilities required for each sports program in your planning.

All sports activities must adhere to Public Health Guidelines and Return to Train Guidelines. Please refer to the information contained in the following links:

- Manitoba Education: Protecting Manitobans Restoring Safe Schools
- Manitoba High School Athletic Association: MHSAA Return to School Sport Plan
- Track & Field (Cross Country): Back on Track Return to Training
- Volleyball: <u>Volleyball Manitoba Return to Train</u>
- Football: Football Manitoba Return to Train
- Hockey: Hockey Manitoba Return to Train
- Basketball: Basketball Manitoba Return to Train

As Provincial Public Health protocols are updated, we will review our return to sports plan with the intention to resume participation in competitive sports leagues.

Thank you.

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