



Rich Township High School District 227 Athletic Guidelines and Operations

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On Wednesday, July 29th, the Governor’s Office presented an All Sport Policy for the state of Illinois. The All Sports Policy has categorized sports based on their inherent risk level, dictated by the amount of contact between athletes and their proximity during play.

Below is a chart indicating the athletic programs that are offered at Rich Township, their risk level, and their limits.

Sport	Risk Level	Sport Limits
Competitive Cheer	High	Trainings only – no contact
Competitive Dance	High	Trainings only – no contact
Football	High	Trainings only – no contact
Wrestling	High	Trainings only – no contact
Boys/Girls Basketball	Medium	Inter-squad Scrimmages only – no competitions
7v7 Football	Medium	Inter-squad Scrimmages only – no competitions
Boys/Girls Soccer	Medium	Inter-squad Scrimmages only – no competitions
Boys/Girls Volleyball	Medium	Inter-squad Scrimmages only – no competitions
Baseball	Low*	Conference/Region play only
Boys/Girls Bowling	Low	Conference/Region play only
Boys/Girls Cross-Country	Low	Conference/Region play only
Boys/Girls Golf	Low	Conference/Region play only
Sideline Cheer/Poms	Low*	Conference/Region play only
Softball	Low	Conference/Region play only
Boys/Girls Tennis	Low	Conference/Region play only
Boys/Girls Track and Field	Low*	Conference/Region play only

*With safety measures in place

The level of play allowed is dictated by current public health conditions.

Level 1: No contact practices and trainings only

Level 2: Intra-team scrimmages allowed, with parental consent for minors; no competitive play

Level 3: Intra-conference or EMS Region play/meets; state- and league-championship games/meets allowed for low-risk sports only

Level 4: Tournaments, out-of-conference/league play, multi-team meets, out-of-state play allowed; championship games allowed

Current conditions allow for the following types of play per sport risk level.

Low – Levels 1, 2, 3

Medium – 1, 2

High – 1

****Earliest effective date: Saturday, August 15, 2020****

On Wednesday, July 29th, with guidance from the IDPH and the Governor’s Office, IHSA presented a proposal for Return to Activities 1.0.

- Teams will play shortened regular season schedules in Winter, Spring, and Summer
- State Series events for all sports will be determined
- Activities that can happen virtually can remain in their traditional seasons
- Activities that cannot happen virtually could possibly need to adjust their seasons
- **Modified Phase 4 Return to Play Guidelines to allow for fall contact days to begin Week 10 (September 7, 2020) and continue until the end of Week 17 (October 31, 2020). There is a 20-day limit on contact days during that time period for any sport in season.**

The following are the IHSA proposed dates for each season and the respective sports that will be played.

Fall (August 17 – October 24)
Boys/Girls Golf
Girls Tennis
Boys/Girls Cross Country
Winter (November 16 – February 13)
Boys/Girls Basketball
Wrestling
Competitive Cheerleading
Competitive Dance
Boys/Girls Bowling
Spring (February 15 – May 1)
Football
Boys Soccer
Girls Volleyball
Summer (May 3 – June 26)
Baseball
Softball
Boys/Girls Track
Girls Soccer
Boys Volleyball
Boys Tennis

- Groups of 50 or less, multiple groups are distanced a minimum of 30 feet apart.
- Spectator and group gatherings are subject to IDPH guidelines for outdoor activities, except for Football. **No spectators will be allowed at Football contests.**
- 2 contest per week; Football = 1 game; Baseball and Softball can play 3 games
- **No spectators will be allowed at indoor activities**

****NOTE: All dates are subject to change.****

Rich Township has developed the following procedures as derived from the IHSA Return to Activities 1.0 and the All Sports Policy from the Governor's office to provide a safe environment to do so.

As we receive further guidance from our governing bodies, we will make changes to our plans and communicate those out using the following outlets:

Twitter: @RTHS_Athletics
Athletics Website: il.8to18.com/RichTownship
District Website: www.rich227.org

Practice/Competition Parameters

Sessions will meet the following guidelines:

- Face coverings must be worn at all times.
- Maintain social distancing by being 6 feet apart, when not participating in drills.
- Follow gathering guidelines of groups of 50 or less including the coaches; indoors and outdoors or 20% capacity of the space, whichever is lower. **(Pods are recommended)**
- Thirty feet of space must be maintained between gatherings of 50, outdoors.
- Implement diligent and effective cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched objects and surfaces following the [CDC guidance](#).

Student Guidelines

Students must:

- Register on 8to18: il.8to18.com/RichTownship
- Have a current physical on file
- Bring and use their own:
 - Water bottles
 - Shoes
 - Towels

Students CANNOT USE:

- Locker rooms
- Shared water coolers with cups
- Water fountains
- Wear a face mask when social distancing cannot be maintained
- Wash their hands before and after participation

Health and Hygiene Requirements

All coaches will be a D227 employee. No volunteer coaches will be allowed to participate prior to completing the necessary screening requirements.

All coaches will have their temperature taken upon arrival for their session.

All coaches will:

- Wear face coverings at all times
- Follow hand hygiene instructions and/or wear gloves
- Wipe down personal spaces
- Follow high touch cleaning protocols to wipe down areas after use

All coaches and athletic administrators will monitor student health as follows:

- Monitor athletes at the start of practice for temperature >100.4 F with the non-touch thermometers and for COVID-19 symptoms (fevers, chills, cough, muscle aches, headache, sore throat, runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of taste or smell)
- Complete and maintain a daily [Student Check In/Check Out Log](#) for every athletic session
- Not allow students to participate in practice if they exhibit [COVID-19 symptoms](#)
- Isolate students that are exhibiting symptoms
 - Symptomatic student(s) must stay under staff supervision while maintaining social distancing until picked up by a legal guardian
- Refer students exhibiting symptoms to a physician for evaluation and testing
- Student exhibiting symptoms cannot participate for a minimum of 10 days after symptom onset OR until feverless and feeling well (without medication) for at least 72 hours OR confirmed to not have COVID-19 via 2 negative COVID-19 test in a row, with testing done at least 24 hours apart.

****NOTE: Any individuals who have had close contact (15 min. or more) with any other person who is diagnosed with COVID-19 should quarantine for 14 days after the last/most recent contact and should seek a COVID-19 test.**

Daily Cleaning Regimen

Coaches will:

- Sanitize all shared fitness equipment **before and after use** with the district approved cleaning solution
- Ensure students wash hands throughout the session
- Have students use designated bathrooms that are more frequently cleaned

Facilities Usage Parameters

- Only use portions of the building that are essential for participation
- Designated specific restrooms that will be used and cleaned during the session
- Manage their own facility calendars specific to their hours of operation
- Follow the Daily Cleaning Regimen above

Transportation

Transportation will be provided before and after practices, if you indicated you will need transportation on the Athletics/Activities survey that was sent out on August 19th.

Fall Activity Timeline

The following is the timeline for the new IHSA Fall season.

Boys Golf: Scot Ritter; sritter@rich227.org

Location: Deer Creek Golf Course

Girls Tennis: Dave Stein; dstein@rich227.org

Location: Fine Arts Campus (formerly Rich South)

Boys & Girls Cross Country:

Boys: Dave Stanko; dstanko@rich227.org

Girls: Brent Pfeiffer; bpfeiffer@rich227.org

Location:

Practices: Fine Arts Campus (formerly Rich South)

Competitions: STEM Campus (formerly Rich Central)

Any questions or concerns, please contact

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STEM Campus: Keith White; kwhite@rich227.org, (708) 679-5794

Online registration is used for all athletics, competitive & non-competitive activities. The following are instructions on how to complete online registration.

Enter the following URL directly into the search bar in your <http://il.8to18.com/richtownship>



Click Registration.

Rich Township High School Registration

Welcome to the Rich Township High School online registration.

You will manage your participants upon registration from here, and receive important and relevant notifications from Rich Township High School. Register as a Parent below. You **must be a parent/guardian** to create this account and start the process. Please write down your login as you will use this to register each time.

Log Me In Create An Account

Email:

Password:

Let's Go!

[Did you forget your password?](#)

You will need to log in if you already have an account, or create a new account. After you have logged in, you will need to follow the instructions on the next page.

- Click on “Begin Registration”
 - “Select Activity”
- Choose the sport your child will be trying for/participating in.
 - “Select Participant”
- Add a New Participant (or choose your child once created)
 - **All information on this page is for the student, i.e. cell phone, email**
 - “Roster Details”
 - You may be asked for t shirt size
 - Height and Weight will be used for rosters
 - “Primary Parent/Guardian Information”
 - Fill out the Parent information on the next page.
- Physical Form
 - If you need a form to take to the doctor you may print it here.
 - **Remember your athlete must have a current physical in order to begin tryouts/practice.**
- Legal Form
 - At this time by clicking on the boxes, you are agreeing and consenting to all information provided.
 - You may click on the form to read or print. Please note that when there is a parent/guardian and student check box- they must both be checked to move forward.
 - **Please DO NOT turn in any forms filled out.**
- Summary
 - At this time you can see what you have registered for.
- Click on “Finish” to complete your registrations