



MEMO

Date: Monday, February 1st, 2021
To: ASAA Member Schools
From: John Paton, ASAA Executive Director
Re: Cancellation of ASAA Basketball Provincial Championships

Dear ASAA Member Schools:

On November 20th, the ASAA Executive Committee, with the support of a majority of the ASAA Zones, approved a modified schedule for 2020/21 ASAA provincial championship dates. Built into that schedule were assessment dates by which the Zones empower the ASAA Executive Committee to determine, based on current circumstances, whether or not running a provincial championship in each sport is viable.

The assessment date for Provincial Basketball Championships has passed, and the ASAA Executive Committee, under their authority as empowered by the ASAA Zones, has made the difficult decision to **cancel all provincial basketball championships for the 2020-21 school year**. The Government of Alberta and AHS directives currently do not permit any interschool sport activities at this time and there is simply no option where basketball provincials could be held in the foreseeable future.

The health and safety of students, coaches and others involved in school athletics remains the first priority of the ASAA and this decision supports that notion. School athletic programs are encouraged to continue to fully embrace the COVID-19 related directives of the GoA.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I thank and acknowledge the hard work of our Basketball Commissioners, Jeromy Hall and Suzanne Kavanagh as well as the volunteer host committees across Alberta. The scheduled hosts for 2021 were Senator Gershaw (1A Girls), Hay Lakes (1A Boys), Oilfields High (2A Girls), High Level Public (2A Boys), Sturgeon Composite (3A Girls), Strathmore High (3A Boys), and SAIAC (4A Girls and Boys). They have all been extraordinarily flexible during this uncertain time.

Please contact the ASAA office if you have any questions: 780-427-8182

