

## MEMO

Date:	Wednesday, February 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
To:	ASAA Member Schools
From:	John Paton, ASAA Executive Director
Re:	Cancellation of ASAA Curling Provincial Championships

Dear ASAA Member Schools:

On November 20<sup>th</sup>, 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 the Provincial Curling Championship has passed, and the ASAA Executive Committee, under their authority as empowered by the ASAA Zones, has made the difficult decision to cancel the event 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 curling provincials could be held in the foreseeable future. Please note however, that the season of play for curling ends March 6, 2021, and school sport curling activities can occur until that time if Government of Alberta Enhanced Health Measures allow.

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 Curling Commissioner Matthew MacDonald who has provided the ASAA office and Executive with ongoing support and expertise as the ASAA navigates this process. Further memos will be issued as sport reassessment dates for remaining ASAA Championships are reached. For updates on ASAA championships and seasons of play, please visit the <u>ASAA website</u>.

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





