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TO: Complex Area Superintendents

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Superintendent

SUBJECT: Restarting Athletic Workouts on High School Campuses

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE) is shifting high schools to in-person and blended learning models statewide. This transition will allow high school athletic teams to begin workouts on high school campuses. Only high schools delivering in-person or blended learning models of instruction may enable athletic teams to start workouts on campus. Eligible students enrolled at these schools (including Charter and Specialty Schools) may participate in the workouts.

The attached HIDOE guidance titled "Return to Learn: School Reopening Plan-Guidance for Restarting Athletics" shall be utilized to restart on campus in-person workouts for HIDOE high school athletic programs. The guidance provides guidelines as well as responsibilities to incorporate athletic workouts and practices during the COVID-19 pandemic. Workouts and practices may commence on March 8, 2021.

The guidance was developed using information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS), HIDOE Return to Learn School Reopening Plan: Health and Safety Handbook, and Hawaii State Department of Health Guidance for Schools COVID-19.

Should you have any questions, please contact Raymond Fujino, Educational Administrative Services Director for the Office of Curriculum and Instructional Design, at (808) 305-9641 or via email at raymond.fujino@k12.hi.us.

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