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INFORMATION BULLETIN

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TO: VIAHA Membership
FROM: Jim Humphrey, VIAHA President
SUBJECT: Current VIAHA Executive Committee Decisions – 2020-2021 Season

At the last VIAHA Executive Committee Meeting held on October 24th, 2020 motions regarding 'No Spectators at Games' and 'The Cancellation of VIAHA Playoffs' were discussed, voted on and passed. Here is the rationale for these decisions...

No Spectators at games: Regardless of the new spectator information just released by viaSports and BC Hockey, until there is some standardization between all facilities in our District and COVID numbers begin decline in the Province, the VIAHA Executive voted to continue disallowing spectators into local facilities for games. Individual Facility restrictions should be followed for practices, however in the case of games, Team Staff and Volunteers running the sign-in sheets at each facility door will be held responsible for insuring the VIAHA **no spectators at games** restriction is up-held throughout the District. **This restriction will be reviewed weekly.*

No VIAHA Playoffs in 2021: As everyone is probably aware by now, BC Hockey has cancelled their 2021 Provincial Championships. VIAHA is also cancelling all League Playoffs in the District as well but will continue to monitor the Pandemic situation throughout the season and will revisit holding some form of finals should safety restrictions and time permit.

Please know these rulings have not been easy to make and we understand they will not be easy to hear either. However, in order to maintain a level of consistency and safety for all our members these are the decision choices the VIAHA Executive have made.

The kids are back on the ice and for that we are extremely grateful for. Let's all do our best to remain positive, stay safe and find enjoyment in what we do have day by day.

Sincerely,

Jim Humphrey
VIAHA President

