EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S BLOG (5-1-2020) By Scott Farley

2020 Season

In this difficult time, we are all wondering about the 2020 season and if it will happen, when it will happen, and how it will happen.

Please know the Michigan High School Athletic Association is working hard to makes plans for all these questions and more. MHSAA Executive Director Mark Uyl is committed to have three seasons in the 2020-21 school year. He has been very open to communicating with our association leadership throughout this process and certainly will continue to do so as we move forward.

The MHSAA Representative Council meets on Monday, May 4 and will create some direction for moving forward. However, most of those decisions involve logistical issues (eligibility, physicals, etc.), NOT schedule. Much more information needs to be gathered from state health officials and the governor's office before those decisions are made. As soon as there is anything to report, you will hear from us or directly from the MHSAA.

ALL STAR GAME ROSTERS ANNOUNCED

Rosters for the 2020 MHSFCA East-West All Star Game have been announced. Though the game will not be played, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we felt it was still important to pick teams and honor senior players from the class of 2020. Be on the lookout for details on the simulated game that will be produced by our all-star game partners, State Champs. The interactive simulation will be played on Twitter on May 30. A huge shout out to All Star Chairman Brian Lemons, and his committee for their diligent work preserving this tradition in difficult times and to all the coaches across the state that nominated their players.

Check the All-Star rosters at:

MHSFCA.com

MHSFCA ONLINE CLINICS NOW AVAILABLE ON YOUTUBE

The MHSFCA is now offering free online clinic sessions available on our YouTube channel.

A big thanks to Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central assistant football coach Kyle McElvany for his leadership on this project. This is an amazing service to the coaching community across the country, provided by the MHSFCA.

Check out the sessions that are currently available at: MHSFCA Online Clinics

MHSFCA PARTNERSHIP WITH FIRST DOWN PLAYBOOK

Last week, the MHSFCA entered into a partnership with First Down Playbook, a groundbreaking tool for football coaches. Through this partnership, MHSFCA members will receive \$100 off a staff annual membership and the MHSFCA will receive \$50 for each school that purchases a membership. Learn more about First Down Playbook at https://www.firstdownplaybook.com/.

Sad news to report: Armand Vigna, an MHSFCA All-Star Game coach in 1983 and Hall of Fame inductee in 1991, passed away Tuesday along with his wife, Ruthie. Here's the story: <u>Hometown Life</u>