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## CIF NorCal Basketball Championships Update

**SACRAMENTO, CALIF. –** As the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) proceeds with its post-season championship basketball tournament, we continue to work with our medical expert and rely upon information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”), the California Department of Public Health (“DPH”) and local counties of departments of public health regarding the impact of and recommended safeguards related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). In keeping the health and safety of our student-athletes, school personnel, and fans as our primary goal, we encourage our member schools to continue to timely inform us of information regarding their school related to COVID-19 that may possibly impact their school's tournament play.

We recognize the hard work and commitment our student-athletes have made to reach the championship tournament and many factors are involved in the development of a postseason tournament schedule. Based upon the impact COVID-19 is having on some of our members schools, the CIF had determined that, within reason, we may address the timely and reasonable request of a member school to modify the dates, times, and/or location of a CIF Regional Championship game. The decision to adjust any game will be based on information from our medical expert and consideration of the advisories of the CDC, DPH and local public health agencies.

After the Elk Grove Unified School District (“EGUSD”) voluntarily removed Sheldon High School from the CIF Open Division Boys State Championship tournament on March 7, 2020, today the EGUSD has asked the CIF to place Sheldon High School's team back into the tournament pending further updated information from the EGUSD. The EGUSD has stated that is should be providing the CIF with updated information regarding its school's ability to continue in the tournament. The CIF will then assess the updated information.

In the interim, below is the proposed schedule for NorCal Open Division Boys and Division I Boys tournament play.

### PROPOSED CIF CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE\*

#### **Open Division Boys:**

Sheldon at Dublin on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Winner plays Bishop O’Dowd on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Winner plays SoCal Champion at Golden1 Center on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.

\*If Sheldon is unable to continue, then Dublin and Bishop O’Dowd would play on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 or Wednesday, March 11, 2020 depending upon when we receive further information from EGUSD.

#### **Division 1 Boys:**

Riordan at De La Salle – Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Winner plays Campolindo on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Winner plays SoCal Champion at Golden1 on Friday, March 13 at 8:00 p.m.

\*If Riordan is unable continue, then De La Salle and Campolindo would play on Tuesday, March 10.

\*This proposed schedule is subject to change.