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Dear Heidelberg Community,

As COVID-19 and the Delta variant have continued to affect the globe, Heidelberg Athletics is preparing for the start of the 2021-22 athletic calendar. Members of the Heidelberg community and visitors attending athletic contests should be aware of the following new and existing protocols while on campus.

SCHEDULES & COMPETITION: After a year of conference-only competitions, Heidelberg will once again compete against non-conference foes. Teams are permitted to play full schedules. Our student-athletes are tested for COVID-19 in accordance with NCAA and local health guidelines.

FAN ATTENDANCE: Protocols for fan attendance throughout the Ohio Athletic Conference will be made on a school-by-school basis, and will likely evolve as the COVID landscape changes.

At Heidelberg, there will be no restrictions on the number of fans in attendance at outdoor home events. Seating in Seiberling Gymnasium may be limited by social distancing on a game-by-game basis. There are a few additional changes to some of the procedures at various venues.

Heidelberg University requires masks to be worn in all indoor public spaces, regardless of vaccination status. Fans attending events in Seiberling Gymnasium (volleyball, basketball, wrestling) and watching games from the Fox Den at Hoernemann Stadium must adhere to this protocol. Additionally, family units attending indoor functions are asked to sit three feet apart from others groups.

PASS LISTS & TICKET SALES: The OAC will no longer issue parent passes to the families of student-athletes and each school will enforce its own admission protocols. Admission will remain free for all OAC students.

For events **at Heidelberg**, the only fall sport which will require a ticket is football. Volleyball, soccer, golf and cross country will not require a ticket. This policy may vary at other schools.

Heidelberg football players, cheerleaders and band members will be able to submit up to four names to be included on the complimentary pass list for all home games.

Fans on the pass lists, as well as current OAC students and Heidelberg faculty and staff (with valid IDs), can enter Hoernemann Stadium through all gates. Tickets will only be sold at the main ticket booths on the Greenfield Street level of the stadium.

OAC TV: Throughout the entire school year, every effort will be made to provide free live streams for each home event. These streams can be found online at BergAthletics.com/live and on the OAC TV channel, available online and as a free, downloadable app/channel on Roku, Apple TV and Amazon Fire.

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