



**DIOCESAN RECREATION ASSOCIATION**

**197 E. GAY ST.**

**COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215**

November 18, 2020

Dear Pastors, Principals and Parish Athletic Directors:

After much discussion and consultation with Pastors, elementary school principals, coaches, parents and the DRA Board, the decision has been made to postpone the start of the DRA basketball season until January.

With the recent developments and the precautions that are being taken by the state, we believe we are acting out of the best interest and safety of the children, their classmates and their families.

As of today, all practices and games are to be postponed. This also includes open gyms. A new DRA basketball timeline will be coming later this week. We are hopeful that the start of the DRA basketball games will begin the weekend of Jan. 16/17. This also includes the CYO programs.

Please share this information with your basketball commissioners, the coaches and parents. Remember, this is a postponement, not a cancellation. The hope and plan of the DRA is to have a season in January and February. We will continue to monitor the situation and make changes as needed. Please stay safe, wear those masks and socially distance.

God Bless You,

Marty Raines—Director Office of Recreation

Adam Dufault—Episcopal Moderator for Education; Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Julius Palazzo—Boys' Commissioner

David Oddi—Assistant Boys' Commissioner

Mike Matthews—Assistant Girls' Commissioner

The DRA Board of Directors