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MEMORANDUM

To: LHSAA Member School Principal / Athletic Director
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Subject: 2022 Annual Convention / *Modifications*

From: LHSAA Executive Director / Eddie Bonine
LHSAA Executive Officers / D. Federico / R. Farrar / B. Bundy

Date: January 11, 2022

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It is the hope of all here at the LHSAA that you are healthy and once again making successful strides in managing the surge of the present strand of COVID-19. We respect and appreciate your hourly, daily, and weekly efforts to continue educational learning and education-based high school interscholastic competitions. Considering the present data surrounding the Omicron variant and its extreme contagiousness, the 2022 LHSAA Annual Convention and events leading up to the convention will be modified. This office and the LHSAA Executive Officers agree the suspension, postponement or cancellation of this year's convention is not a viable option. We agree that the following modifications to events leading up to the convention and the convention itself will keep the convention importance and integrity in place. The January 18, 19 and 20 area meetings will be administered on the same days; however, these will be via Zoom. Shreveport and Monroe areas will still be Jan. 18, 2022, with a new start time of 1:00 p.m.

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Alexandria and Lafayette will still be Jan. 19, 2022, with a new start time of 1:00 p.m. Baton Rouge and New Orleans will still be Jan. 20, 2022, with a new start time of 1:00 p.m. LHSAA Executive Administrative Assistant, Ms. Kathie Smith, will be disseminating the Zoom invites for these meetings to each member school's voting member who is reflected on the LHSAA member site. That individual can then forward this Zoom invite to any additional member school personnel they deem appropriate. Any/all particulars for the administration of this Zoom meeting will be identified in the invitation. All regularly/historically scheduled events (*i.e.*) *vendors, A.D.s' Convention, LHSCA Council meeting, Corporate Sponsored Luncheon and Breakfast* at the Baton Rouge Crown Plaza prior to the Annual Convention's Friday, Jan. 28, 2022, General Business meeting will be canceled. This year's convention will only include the 5A/4A/3A/2A/1A/B/C Class meetings followed immediately by the General Business Session. The class meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the General Business Session beginning at 9:30 a.m. Only one voting member per member school will be permitted in the General Business Session. The LHSAA Bylaw addressing the request for proxy voting privileges will be temporarily waived for the Friday, Jan. 28 General Business Session. This one voting member can be the principal, assistant principal or athletic director listed under the school on the LHSAA members' only site. Please note that all principals that have a proposal on the Business Meeting Agenda must be present for the proposal to be voted on. A lanyard with an identifying member school attachment will be required for anyone to enter the Crowne Plaza's Grand Ballroom for voting. The Ballroom will be set up with the appropriate number of seats and acceptable distancing between each seat.

The Class meeting room assignments at the Crown Plaza and the overall General Business Session's agenda will be sent in a separate communication from this office in a timely manner. As always, we appreciate your continued cooperation and communication with our offices.