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Hamilton Little Lads Basketball Families...

I hope this email finds you all well and staying safe. I've started getting some inquiries regarding the upcoming season, so I thought I would share where things stand right now.

First, to be clear, any decisions that we make for the upcoming season will be based primarily on being able to provide a safe environment for everyone involved – players, coaches, officials, and spectators. Everything else will be secondary.

As of this moment, there are still too many questions to be answered before we can make any firm decisions. Will the schools be available to use? If so, what will their requirements be? What will the NJ Department of Health and Hamilton Health Department require regarding indoor sports?

Based on the requirements that have been provided for Spring/Summer outdoor sports, we have an idea of what we'll be up against. Social distancing, masks, equipment disinfecting, designated separate entrances and exits will all need to be addressed. We can theoretically do these within the program structure we've worked under in the past.

That said, there are other possible requirements that will have a significant impact on how we do things. For example, if there is a requirement that gyms need to be completely cleared, and disinfected in some manner between practices and games (a very real possibility), that will impact the number of teams we'll be able to accommodate (less teams = less players), and/or the number of games per team, as well as practice time.

We are now less than six weeks from the opening of registration, and less than 12 weeks from the planned date for tryouts (October 3). Much can happen in that time frame. Think of where we were six and 12 weeks ago. We will continue to provide updates as things evolve and requirements become clearer.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Stay safe!

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