

## **WVSSAC Contingency Plan for Emergency Situations**

It was approved by the WVSSAC Board of Directors on January 28, 2010, to adopt the following plan that will be followed in the event of emergencies that could occur in our schools, counties or a state wide basis.

1. All WVSSAC sport/band activities will continue to be held as planned unless information received through the West Virginia Department of Health's office, local county health departments or other state and local emergency personnel advises our member schools or this office to take alternative measures.
2. Decisions of individual member school principals or Superintendents to allow their students to participate or not participate will be honored. If a school is closed and the Principal or superintendent approves of an individual's/team's participation based on local health department or other emergency personnel input, it will be honored by the WVSSAC.
3. All regular season games/contests that are postponed under this contingency plan will be allowed and encouraged to be rescheduled to the fullest extent possible.
4. The date of championship finals will be held as planned and can only be changed by recommendation of the Executive Director to the WVSSAC Board of Directors. All sectional and regional tournament games prior to the start of a championship contest will be scheduled with maximum flexibility to accommodate individual schools impacted by emergency situations. The decision to allow a team to participate in a scheduled tournament contest when school is closed rests with the member school principal and county superintendent with input from the local health department or other emergency agencies that may be involved in the decision.
5. State Tournaments will proceed with those qualifying teams/individuals that are available to play. This may require a game or contest forfeiture from schools affected by a school/county emergency.