

2020...”well that was a fun one”

As I stare at the calendar it occurs to me this will be my first Fall in 20 years without volleyball. Mixed emotions abound. You’re probably feeling or have felt the same ones. Grateful for the health and safety of family and friends. Frustrated and angry with uncontrollable circumstances. Sad and wistful for the experiences my athletes and students are missing. Fearful for the future and trauma of such a complex personal and public tragedy.

Sarcasm leads me to say things like:

- “well, it wouldn’t be 2020 if I didn’t have to teach a college course in a semester!”
- “oh 2020...at least we got to see Hamilton on Disney+”
- “volleyball during a pandemic?! Let’s do the math...you’re saying we have to quarantine if one student or teacher in a cohort of 30 that’s exposed to 120 people all of those people have to quarantine, but my volleyball program has 36 athletes in approximately 30 cohorts and 4 coaches so when we play a team with the same numbers who quarantines? Just my exposed program or all of the cohorts in all of the schools in all of the land?!”

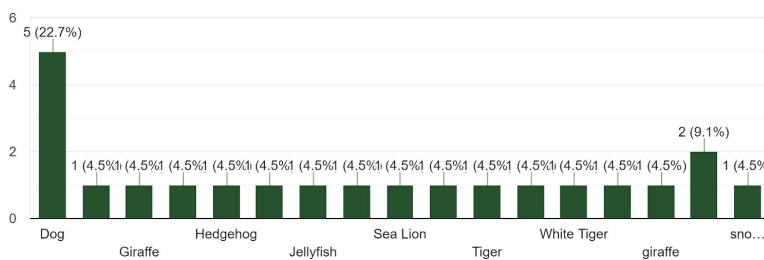
Once again, I’m not going to say anything new or even definite (perhaps that’s my lesson for the year). Today [CHSAA announced it’s calendar](#) so it appears that we won’t be playing volleyball until at least March, 2021. DPS has yet to approve some sports listed on here as approved and we all know that state and local guidelines could change. With that said I hope we do get to convene as a group even for an abbreviated season.

Right now in DPS we are not allowed to practice with volleyballs or even be inside so if and when that changes I will try to organize some off-season training. Until then, some parents have informed me that clubs and other non-school associated programs are offering sports opportunities if families feel comfortable. I will include the information that I have now below and if anyone else shares any with me I will be happy to share with everyone.

For the purposes of gathering interested players for this season please [fill out the current sign up form](#) if you haven’t already. I will stop using our old contact list soon. Please feel free to share this with others that might be interested in playing this year.

For those interested, it appears that some type of dog is the leading favorite animal while Katie is still holding firmly to her best friend the sloth.

Player’s Favorite Animal  
22 responses



In all seriousness I hope you all are as well as can be. I know starting school remotely is scary, but I’m excited for it and here to help if you need anything. My other email is [Angela\\_Danley@dpsk12.org](mailto:Angela_Danley@dpsk12.org) and my cell phone

number is 770-378-4854. Please let me know if there is anything you need, or you find any turtles, goats, jellyfish, white tigers, giraffes, pandas, otters, hedgehogs, wolves, seas lions, snow leopards, or hummingbirds along your journey. Photographic evidence is a must.

Take care,  
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