



January 27, 2021

Greene County Public Health Department in accordance with Greene County Administrator, Shaun Groden, and in conjunction with other Capital District Region health departments, have released the following statement regarding the Governor's office announcement on January 22, 2021 that pertained to higher risk sports and recreation activities in schools and leagues effective February 1, 2021:

Due to the specific requirements in the NY Forward Guidance already in place, and the Reopening NY Sports and Rec Guidance in place for all sports, and the additional **absolute requirements** of the following:

- 1- Positivity rate (7 day rolling average) of 4% or below
- 2- Hospital Capacity
- 3- Rate of hospital admissions
- 4- Epidemiological factors which impact COVID control of disease spread and mitigation efforts

It is the recommendation that high risk Winter sports and recreation activities **not** be permitted at this time since Greene County along with Capital Region counties are **NOT** able to meet the above requirements.

Greene County Public Health Department is in contact with all Superintendents on a weekly basis and will discuss updates as well as any NEW NYSDOH and Governor's office releases. Links are provided below for more information.

<https://forward.ny.gov/>

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/SportsAndRecreationMasterGuidance.pdf>