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### **Section VI Chooses to Pause Winter Sports**

Earlier today, the Section VI Athletic Council voted to pause the start date of winter Low and Moderate risk sports until December 14.

The New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) had approved November 30 for the start of bowling, boys swimming, indoor track, rifle and alpine skiing.

“The Section remains committed to providing opportunities for our winter athletes”, said Brett Banker, President of Section VI. “Much like the recently completed fall season when we did all we could, our leadership groups across the Section are working tirelessly for our athletes, families and our coaches”.

“With the reality of where we are statistically, we need to assist our Superintendents and other leaders and pause for a moment”, Banker continued. “There are great people in the Section’s athletic world working on the issues and who are fully cognizant of what these programs mean to kids.”

High Risk sports remain scheduled for a January 4 start up.

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