



OHIO HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION

April 22, 2020

Dear OHSBCA Members,

There are not enough words to describe how disappointing the cancellation of the 2020 season is. Many coaches, myself included, held out hope that we would be able to return to the field for a shortened season. The work all of you have done under these circumstances, whether it be engaging your players through various platforms or attending virtual seminars to improve professionally, has truly been inspiring.

Without a season, the OHSBCA has decided to cancel our 2020 Coaches Poll and therefore will not be recognizing a Poll Champion, Coach of the Year and Player of the Year. In addition, we are cancelling the 2020 Augusta All-Ohio Series due to the uncertainty surrounding when large gatherings will be allowed to resume. These decisions were not made lightly and our hope is that we will be able to return both programs next season.

We will still recognize an Assistant Coach of the Year from each district, Senior Academic All-Ohio, the OHSBCA academic scholarships, and Hall of Fame nominations (class of 2021). The deadline to submit nominees for these honors is June 1. Additionally, Mar-Co Clay Field of the Year & Field of Need nominations will be taken until November 1st. All the forms needed to apply can be found on our website at www.ohsbca.org under "Links" then "Forms & Apps."

In closing, I want to thank the OHSAA, Executive Director Jerry Snodgrass and Sport Manager Emily Gates for doing everything they could to try to ensure a season for our players.

In Baseball,

John Bakalar

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