

MPP Contact Information

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Dear [Insert MPP Name],

On Wednesday May 4, 2021, the Provincial Sport Governing Body, Athletics Ontario, released a [letter to Premier Ford](#) requesting that the Government of Ontario take another prudent, measured step forward and allow all organized and controlled sports to return to play, reversing the prior decision that shut them down. I would kindly ask that you review the letter and take all findings into your own consideration.

I am writing to you as a [INSERT YOUR ROLE: parent, coach, official, volunteer, athlete] – and a concerned and frustrated member of the Ontario sport community - in full support of Athletics Ontario's message.

The current scientific consensus is that there is no justification for restrictions in the overwhelming majority of youth sports (including contact sports), and especially in cases where those sports are played outdoors ([Covid-19 Incidence in High School Athletes](#)). It is worth noting that athletics is not a contact sport, which further reduces risk as athletes can easily maintain physical distance during both training and competition ([Special Report: Are All Sports Shutdowns Necessary](#)).

The physical, mental, and emotional benefits, particularly now, of getting active together, far outweigh the extremely low risk of virus transmission in outdoor settings. As we look toward the summer, it is vital that we do everything we can to welcome back athletics training and events, and get the province back on its feet, positively impacting the health and happiness of ourselves, our friends, our families, and those around us.

Sincerely,

[Insert Name]