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School district reverses decision and clears EVHS to play against BMHS on Friday

No spectators to be at 6:00 P.M. game

Eagle, CO – Eagle County Schools announced today that it has reversed its decision to hold Eagle Valley High School out of this Friday’s football game with cross town rival Battle Mountain High School. The game is back on between the Devils and Huskies. The Summit County football team has been notified of the change and graciously understands in light of the ever-changing circumstances due to the pandemic.

The change in decision follows additional and ardent contact tracing throughout the Eagle Valley football team to investigate an anonymous “Safe2Tell” call that claimed members of the squad were symptomatic but not coming forward out of fear of causing the game to be canceled. These claims have now been found to be baseless, and with the assistance and support of Public Health, the team has been cleared to play. Both teams have been following the proper safety protocols, and there has not been any transmission of the virus at either team.

“This is great news for both teams in our school district,” said Assistant Superintendent Dr. Katie Jarnot. “The initial decision to pull Eagle Valley from the game was difficult, but we didn’t think we had the time to complete the thorough tracing necessary to attest to the team’s health. However, everyone involved worked tirelessly and shared our findings and process with Public Health less than thirty minutes ago. They felt our investigation was thorough enough to ensure it was safe.”

Unfortunately, the one issue that could not be resolved was allowing spectators at the game.

“The football teams have been following strict safety protocols so while it is possible to interview and contact trace the teams, the prevalence of the virus in the broader community is such that we still can’t have spectators,” explained Jarnot.

The game will occur at its regularly scheduled time and location, 6:00 PM at Huskies Stadium. The game will be live streamed via [HighFiveMedia](#) and the [NFHS Network](#).

Eagle County Schools asks for understanding from the community during these fluid and trying times.

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