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The OHSBVA is happy to announce that the OHSAA has named boys' volleyball as an emerging sport!

The Board of Directors of the OHSBVA and OBSVCA would like to express our deepest gratitude to the OHSAA Board of Directors under the leadership of Executive Director Douglas Ute with special recognition for the ongoing efforts of Bob Goldring, Emily Mason, Dr. Kimberlee Kiehl to work with our sanctioning team to make this happen.

This is a joyful day for us, but the road toward becoming an OHSAA-recognized sport continues as we go through the next few years before becoming fully sanctioned by the OHSAA. The path began with the commitment of the OHSBVA Board of Directors and initial efforts by the late Scott Ebright, who served as Executive Director as we reached out to the OHSAA for consideration. We want to thank everyone who made this possible including all previous Executive Directors, Presidents and Members of the OHSBVA Board of Directors and OBSVCA. Immediate Past Board President Craig Erford and Executive Director Gary Hajek were the main driving force behind putting boys' volleyball in this position.

We have been striving to achieve this opportunity for many years and wanted to share the good news with all of you. We will continue to provide more details as they are known. And, most importantly, we will continue to count on each of you as we use the time as an emerging sport to prove to the OHSAA that we can pass on a well-run, fiscally managed operation for the future success and growth of our sport!

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