



## **VIKINGS ATHLETICS UPDATE!**

On Monday night, December 7, the Southern Athletic Association's Council of Presidents affirmed its earlier decision to sponsor winter and fall sports in the spring semester of 2021.

This decision was made consistent with current guidelines from federal and state public health authorities, the NCAA, and individual institutions. With respect to the approved schedules, the SAA will continue to monitor local COVID outbreaks as well as national pandemic trends. Berry College will also monitor campus and local outbreaks and make adjustments as needed.

**Seven of the eight conference institutions will participate in fall and winter sports starting with men and women's basketball beginning the weekend of January 15-17.** Conference schedules for winter and fall sports may be viewed at <https://saa-sports.com/index.aspx>. Additionally, the Council of Presidents affirmed its intention to have a regular conference season for all spring sports, with additional information to be released early in the spring semester.

**Conference games prior to the last weekend in January will be restricted to members of the home campus community. The number of spectators will be limited based on social distancing requirements and the size of the event**

**facility. Masks/face coverings will be required for all spectators.** A decision about visitors for February games and later will be considered again in mid-January. All winter and fall sports contests, home and away, will **be livestreamed** at no cost to give Berry students, parents, employees, and alumni the opportunity to support the Vikings.

More details will be forthcoming as the conference members firm up plans for spring.

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