

KUNA Attendee,

It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you of the decision to cancel this weekend's HS 3 KUNA conference due to potential health concerns associated with the coronavirus. At this time, given the unpredictability of the virus, we have not selected new dates for a rescheduled conference as we are unsure if a reschedule will be able to occur.

We understand the disappointment of your students, but after several days of consulting our colleagues, health professionals, local department of health and our Board, it was clear that the YMCA's commitment to health and safety outweighs our sincere desire to provide students with this opportunity. We simply cannot justify holding the conference. The risk to the students and volunteers is simply too great.

We are letting you know this immediately, and will be sending an email out to all registered students, parents and volunteers today. The text of that message is below. Please do follow up with them though, as I cannot guarantee everyone is receiving or reading these emails.

As we move forward I know you'll be receiving questions regarding rescheduling, refunds, and elections. While this is an evolving situation, here is what we know right now:

Rescheduling

The lack of certainty around the virus is a major part of the problem. Should we find that the virus spread begins to slow and dates are available at the hotel for programming we will be in contact.

Refunds

We are dedicated to refunding as much money as we can. We are working through our contract with the Marriott hotel and will be in contact once we know more. Please be patient and know that we will reach out as soon as we have an answer.

Elections

In regard to Presiding Officers for next year, we will work with you and this year's Presiding Officers to determine the correct path forward.

My sincerest apologies,

Amanda Chism
Vice President