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2020 HONOR BOWL PRESENTED BY THE SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
Canceled due to COVID-19

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The Honor Group, Inc., a non-profit that educates students, coaches, and community about patriotism while raising money for injured, ill and wounded veterans, today announced that the eleventh annual Honor Bowl is canceled for 2020.

The Board of Directors of The Honor Group Inc, organizers of the Honor Bowl have determined that due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2020 Honor Bowl is canceled. At this time the California Interscholastic Federation is “prepared to offer alternative calendars if it is determined by July 20 that Fall sports may not start as scheduled due to ongoing public health and safety concerns.”

As of today, we can not safely say that Host schools will be able to have their stadium used for the ten games that have been scheduled or if fans will be able to buy tickets and enjoy what we bring that makes the nationally recognized Honor Bowl special. We have schools scheduled to play from four states traveling to California to participate in 2020. State associations have stated that out of area travel might be discouraged which directly impacts four games and eight teams that were scheduled.

Rick Sutter, Director of Operations for The Honor Group said “The Honor Bowl for 2020 has been in the planning stages right after the 2019 event. Though this will drastically affect the mission of The Honor Group to educate students, coaches and community about patriotism while raising money for injured, ill and wounded veterans, we will focus on more Honor Tours, whole school assemblies, and newly created classroom “moto” talks that focus on Patriotism, a deeper understanding of our Military and sacrifice.”

All games that have been scheduled can be played and the host school will work this out with their opponent. We wish all High Schools across America the best in their 2020 season.



Looking forward, there remains strong interest and are encouraged that there are top schools all over America that have inquired to be part of the 2021 Honor Bowl. We will start to lock in games to schedule for both Southern and Northern California 2021 Honor Bowls immediately. We look forward to the 2021 Honor Bowl which is the twentieth anniversary of 9/11. We wish for a safe, healthy, and productive 2020 and thank you for your understanding.

About The Honor Group, Inc.

The Honor Group is a nonprofit whose sole purpose is educating students, coaches, and community about patriotism while raising money for injured, ill and wounded veterans. Providing service and education through athletic events and school assemblies. Funds raised by the nonprofit and through their events help equip wounded military veterans with much needed items and resources to assist them in returning to civilian life. The Honor Group relies on partners and volunteers who share the passion to make a difference and to help with the mission to Educate, Empower, and Equip. For more info please visit our website at www.thehonorgroup.org

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