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Melissa Maginnis talked with [WVII](#) (Channel 7) about the coronavirus, participation in athletics, and safety in light of the Maine Principals' Association's work to align its protocols with state guidelines. "Think about this as a marathon, not a sprint. We want to make sure these children are healthy and they can continue to engage in sports for a long period of time, not just for the upcoming season," said the virologist, assistant professor of microbiology, associate director of the Center for Undergraduate Research, and lead of the UMS Scientific Advisory Board. "It's really important that we can physically distance when we're exercising, and there have been some studies that when we are exercising we expel more of those potential particles."

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