



Alex Tavera is one of four seniors that would be returning to the McNary baseball squad.

McNary seniors that won't get to participate in their final of playing competitive sports and won't get to experience their special moments on senior day.

For those student-athletes who's athletic careers are hanging in the balance, Gragg offers a word of advice.

"What we know as athletes that our time in the sport is finite. There is going to be a time where athletes will no longer be able to play the sport that they love. When you don't have control of a decision, it's just hard. The reality of that hurts. And there is no way to comfort that," Gragg said. "If sports is all there is as to who someone is as an individual, if that's all their identity is wrapped up in, that is a bleak place to be. Look at all the other things that you bring to the world around you and how can you live in that way that acknowledges who you are is more than just the sport that you play."

"Through this process, we have seen a version of alignment. Whether there is need to do that or not, time will tell, but I'm not going to be surprised if the OSAA aligns with what the NCAA is doing," Gragg said.

If spring sports are indeed canceled, there will be many

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school sports could be non-existent this spring, especially after the NCAA made the decision to cancel all collegiate sports.

Shepherd chosen for All-Star Game in June



McNary offensive tackle Nic Shepherd was selected to participate in 73rd annual Les Schwab Bowl, featuring the top senior prep football players in the state. The game will be played on Saturday, June 20 at Hillsboro Stadium at 6 p.m. Shepherd was a first-team all-league performer in 2019 and helped the Celtics win their second straight Mountain Valley Conference title.

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