

**NEW BOSTON, Texas — The New Boston Independent School District has decided to cancel high school football games for Sept. 11 and Sept. 18, in response to recent positive COVID-19 tests within the football team.**

**In a letter posted by Superintendent Brian Bobbitt, it is stated that the decision has been made to "take a break," and resume activities on Sept. 21.**

**Bobbitt said the decision was made in large part due to the inability to closely trace those who were in close contact with the students who tested positive.**

**"This is not a decision that was made lightly, and it pains me to type these words," Bobbitt said. "I understand how important extracurricular activities are to a school and the students."**

**He also said that the goal is to take this opportunity to create some separation within the players in the program now and be ready for their district schedule.**

**"I appreciate your understanding and I hope you realize that every decision we make is based on the information we have, the recommendations of medical professionals and the guidelines given to us by the UIL and TEA," He said.**