



DEKALB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT GAME DAY OPERATIONS FOR VISITING TEAMS Fall 2021

We are delighted to host your team in our upcoming competition. In an effort to ensure your team is prepared and ready to compete, we have created the following Game Day Expectations and Guidelines for Visiting Teams. Our goal is to mitigate the spread of COVID 19 and its impact on activities all while keeping students-athletes, coaches and stakeholders safe. If you are in need of additional information please contact me directly.

Team Expectations

1. All coaches and athletes are required to wear a mask at all times when entering, leaving, and moving **INDOORS**.
2. **OUTDOORS**- Unvaccinated athletes and coaches are asked to wear a mask. Masks are optional for fully vaccinated coaches and athletes.
3. Only athletes who are engaged in active play/competition may remove their mask.
4. All coaches and athletes must socially distance at all times.
5. There will be no huddles, handshakes or high fives before, during, or after matches.
6. Teams should immediately board the bus at the end of competition.

Equipment

1. Teams should bring their own balls, ball bags and any other sports specific equipment for warm ups.
2. The game ball will be provided by the host school.
3. Each team must bring their own water bottles and towels.

Locker Rooms

1. Locker rooms will have limited use. Teams may have access to restrooms in the locker room as long as players wear masks at all times.
2. Teams should arrive dressed and ready for competition. Coaches are expected to monitor their own locker room.

Pre and Post Game Ceremony

1. All pregame introduction handshakes are suspended.
2. All post game protocol of shaking hands are suspended
3. Teams near their respective bench area and nod/wave in a sportsmanship gesture.

Benches/ Sidelines/ Scores Table

1. Social distancing must be practiced at all times.
2. Players/coaches will have their own chair in the bench area for the entire game. Sideline chairs will be arranged six feet apart inside the bench area. Please do not move the chairs at any time.
3. Students must wear mask upon entering the bench area and exiting the court. The only time mask should be removed while on the bench would be to hydrate. Please encourage the student to wear their mask again after proper hydration.
4. Only the host school personnel are allowed at the scorer's table. Unmasked players and officials should remain socially distant from the scorer's table.

Spectators

Stadium Spectators and Outdoor Sports (Football, Cross Country, Softball)

1. There will be no spectator limit for outdoor events.
2. Unvaccinated guests are asked to wear a mask. Masks are optional for fully vaccinated guest.
3. All spectators are asked to maintain six feet of social distancing. Parent/guardian/family members will be encouraged to sit only with their family units.
4. Spectators are prohibited from entering the field and will be asked to leave venue immediately following event.
5. Spectators must remain in a reasonable distance outside of the fence or field area of competition.
6. We will allow DCSD passes and GHSA passes.

In-Door Sports Spectators (Volleyball)

1. There will be no spectator limit for volleyball at this time due to generally low attendance rates. (Decisions surrounding indoor capacity restrictions will be made closer to the basketball season)
2. All guests must wear a mask at ALL TIMES, including when entering/exiting venue, during the competition, and whenever walking or moving about . No exceptions.
3. All spectators are asked to maintain six feet of social distancing. Parent/guardian/family members will be encouraged to sit only with their family units.
4. Spectators are prohibited from entering the court and will be asked to leave venue immediately following event.
5. We will allow DCSD passes and GHSA passes.

Non-revenue Sports Admission Fee

Each school will be allowed to charge a fee for admission for softball and volleyball games. The cost of admission is \$5.00 and tickets will be sold at the local school. ***Note: the DCSD Spikefest is sponsored through DeKalb Athletics****

Revenue Sports Admission Fee

Varsity Football-All tickets will be sold via GOFAN. General Admission cost will be \$7.00 per adult and \$5.00 per student ticket plus an administrative fee through GOFAN.

JV Football- All tickets will be sold via GOFAN. General Admission cost will be \$5.00 for all spectators plus an administrative fee through GOFAN. (Exception-Arabia/Dunwoody/Columbia will sell tickets at the local school.)

Middle School Football- All tickets will be sold via GOFAN. General Admission cost will be \$5.00 for all spectators plus an administrative fee through GOFAN.

Cross Country- All tickets will be sold via GOFAN. General Admission cost will be \$5.00 for all spectators plus an administrative fee through GOFAN.

Recommendations and restrictions are fluid and subject to change. Safety is our top priority.