As we start this fall season of 2020 it will be different than any sports season that any of us have encountered. Tulsa Public Schools wants each of you to know that health and safety for all is our major concern as we re-start our competitive sports programing for this year. The following guidelines will be followed in all TPS athletics facilities during the 2020-2021 school year:

1. Masks or face coverings are required for all participants, coaches, workers, campus police, officials, patrons or anyone entering any Tulsa Public Schools Athletics facility by order of the City of Tulsa ordinance. Refusal to wear a mask or face covering will prevent admittance into the facility.
2. All patrons shall exercise social distancing procedures while in the athletics facilities and sit in designated seating areas.
3. Due to social distancing protocol some athletics venues may have limited seating capacity. The visiting schools will be informed 48 hours prior to the contest regarding the limited seating.
4. All Participants, officials and coaches may remove their masks when they reach their perspective playing field or court. There shall be no spectators for volleyball matches grades 7-12*.
5. For the fall season outdoor venues will have some seating areas marked off as unavailable. Please refrain from sitting in these areas to help us keep everyone safe.
6. All ticket takers and sellers will be masked and gloved.
7. Sportsmanship is paramount to the development of young people, at this time, we will recommend no hand shaking between opposing teams, both before and after games, to reduce contact as much as possible.
8. When TPS teams are traveling the site Athletics Director will send the home athletics director a statement regarding the health status of our team.
9. Athletic Trainers from both schools need to communicate prior to the contest about any special arrangement that needs to be made by the home team.
10. For Participants, Officials, and Coaches, no shared towels, clothing, shoes, water bottles, or equipment. Individual student athletes and coaches are to bring their own water bottles to the venue.
11. Locker Rooms will be accessible to teams only for pregame or half time, but we ask visiting teams to come dressed and ready to participate for the event.
12. All shared equipment will be sanitized periodically during the contest.
13. Masks will be required in the locker rooms, athletic training rooms, and coaches’ offices and any area considered outside of the playing field or court.
14. Only pre-approved personnel will be allowed in the press box or at the scorer’s table. Visiting teams will need to contact the site Athletics Director for scorer tables or press box personnel accommodations.
15. Hospitality suites will have only pre-package food and individual bottle pop or water.
16. When traveling to and from away events, all bus driver, coaches, athletic trainers and student/athletes will be required to wear face coverings.

We want to welcome you to our facilities and hope that you have a great experience while you visit any of our nine high schools or 10 middle schools.

Should you have any questions please contact us at 918-746-6453 or cloudgi@tulsaschools.org