



EQUITY CHARACTER EXCELLENCE TEAM JOY

To: Visiting Athletics Administration and Teams  
From: Gil Cloud, CAA, Executive Director of Secondary Schools Student Activities and Athletics  
Date: August 5, 2020  
Subject: Guidelines for Interscholastic Athletics Contest on TPS Campuses

I hope this information finds you well and looking forward to another great year of interscholastic athletics! Just getting to this point has been an amazing trip and now we need to make this a tremendous experience for our student athletes.

I have included the guidelines that we will maintain at our on-campus athletics venues this year. We have all worked hard to get our student athletes to this point in preparation for the fall season. I know we all want to have an uninterrupted season so with that in mind please find the protocols that have been put into place at all TPS athletics facilities.

**Four areas of major emphasis are:**

- 1. Face masks are required for admission at any facility due to the City of Tulsa Ordinance.**
- 2. Volleyball will not allow spectators, only players, coaches, officials, trainers, score table personnel will be permitted to enter the facility.**
- 3. Spectators for outdoor facilities (stadiums and softball fields) shall not exceed 50% of the capacity.**
- 4. When we travel to your site we will bring with us a check -in sheet for the squad indicating that we have check each student athletes temperature and asked the 10 COVID 19 questions.**

We are glad that we can host you on our campus and hope your visit is enjoyable. We are working hard to make this fall season available for our student athletes and we need your support to make it a successful experience for them.

# Special Football Guidelines

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 programming for this year. The following guidelines for football will be followed in all TPS stadium facilities during the 2020-2021 school year:

1. Masks 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 will prevent admittance into the facility.
2. All stadium facilities will have no more than 50% capacity until further notice.
3. Food in concession stands will be pre-package only.
4. All patrons shall exercise social distancing procedures in the athletics facilities and sit in designated seating areas.
5. 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.
6. All Participants, officials and coaches may remove their masks when they reach their perspective playing field or court.
7. 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.
8. All ticket takers and sellers will be masked and gloved.
9. 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.
10. When TPS teams are traveling the site Athletics Director will send the home athletics director a statement regarding the health status of our team.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. 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.
14. All shared equipment will be sanitized periodically during the contest.
15. 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.
16. Only pre-approved personnel will be allowed in the press box. Visiting teams will need to contact the site Athletics Director for press box personnel accommodations.
17. Hospitality suites will have only pre-package food and individual bottle pop or water.
18. Only authorized coaches, game officials and media will be allowed on the sidelines. Game manager will provide sideline passes.
19. When traveling to and from away events, all bus driver, coaches, athletic trainers and student/athletes will be required to wear face coverings.

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Adult</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Seniors</b>
Football - Varsity	\$7.00*	\$4.00**	\$4.00**
Football – JV, 9 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup>	\$5.00*	\$3.00	\$3.00

Children under six years of age are admitted **FREE** when accompanied by an adult.

- TPS Identification badges will **ONLY** admit the employee to the Home TPS event.
- Passes from OCA - Oklahoma Coaches Association - will be accepted for the card holder **ONLY**. These passes are to be accepted at **ALL** games. ID will be required.
- Passes from OSSAA – Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association - will be accepted for the card holder **ONLY**. These passes are to be accepted at **ALL** games. ID will be required.

## 7:00 PM Football Pre-Game Schedule

<u>Time</u>	<u>Time on Game Clock</u>	<u>Field</u>
5:30 PM	00:00	Ready for Pre-Game
6:30 PM	60:00	Start Clock Countdown
6:41 PM	15:00	Starting Line-up Intro
6:45 PM	15:00	Clear Field for Pre-Game
6:50 PM	10:00	National Anthem
6:55 PM	5:00	Teams will enter the field
6:57 PM	3:00	Coin Flip
7:00 PM	0:00	Kick-Off

## Half-Time Schedule

<u>Time on Game Clock</u>	<u>Field Status</u>
15:00/20:00	Field Clear-one band (15) Two Bands (20)
3:00	Field Clear for Warm-Up
0:00	Second half kick-off

## Special Guidelines for Volleyball

- **Tulsa Public Schools will not allow spectators in our facilities for volleyball matches during the 2020 season.**
- **Coaches are required to wear a face covering at all times.**
- **During competition and during practice---Players are required to wear a face covering entering the facility or traveling within the facility, the only time the face covering may be removed is during competition or practice on the court.**
- **Locker rooms will not be opened please make sure all players enter the facility dressed and ready for competition or practice.**
- **No concessions will be provided.**

### Pre-match Conference

- One coach from each team, first referee and second referee.
- The location of the pre-match conference to center court with one coach and one referee positioned on each side of the net.
- All four individuals maintain a social distance of 3 to 6 feet.
- TPS will suspend the use of the coin toss to determine serve/receive. The visiting team will serve first in set 1 and alternate first serve for the remaining non-deciding sets.
- TPS will suspend roster submission at the pre-match conference. Rosters are submitted directly to the officials' table before the 10-minute mark.
- A four ball rotation will be used.
- Wipes will be available at each bench.

### Team Benches

- TPS will suspend the protocol of teams switching benches between sets. In the event there is a clear and distinct disadvantage, teams may switch sides, observing all social distancing protocols. Officials will determine if a disadvantage is present.
- Teams will limit bench personnel to observe social distancing of 3 to 6 feet. Bench chairs will be placed 6 feet apart to ensure social distancing.

### Officials

- Officials are required to wear a face covering during the match.
- Officials will use a hand whistle during all matches rather than a mouth whistle.

### **Deciding Set Procedures**

- The location of the deciding set coin toss will be the center court with team captains and the second referee maintaining the appropriate social distance of 3 to 6 feet. A coin toss, called by the home team, will decide to serve/receive.
- TPS will suspend the protocol of teams switching benches before a deciding set. In the event there is a clear and distinct disadvantage, teams may switch sides, observing all social distancing protocols. Officials will determine if a disadvantage is present.

### **Substitution Procedures**

- Players will maintain social distancing of 3 to 6 feet between the second referee and the player and substitute by encouraging substitutions to occur within the substitution zone closer to the attack line.

### **Officials Table**

- The table will be limited to essential personnel which includes home team scorer, libero tracker and timer with a recommend distance of 3 to 6 feet between individuals.
- Official table personnel will wear a face covering.
- Visiting team personnel (scorer, statisticians, etc.) are not deemed essential personnel and will need to find an alternative location.

### **Pre-Match & Post Match**

Handshakes will not be permitted. Athletes are encouraged to show sportsmanship verbally!

## **Special Guidelines for Softball**

- Spectators in our facilities are expected to practice social distancing for softball games during the 2020 season. They should also follow state, local or district guidelines regarding face coverings.
- 50% capacity will be maintained as well as social distancing.
- All concession food will be pre-packaged.
- Spectators must exit the facility immediately after the game has ended.
- Schools must limit the use of bleachers for fans at games. Schools should encourage fans to bring their own chairs or stand.
- Coaches are required to wear a face covering at all times.
- During competition and during practice, players are required to wear a face covering entering the facility or traveling within the facility, the only time the face covering may be removed is during competition or practice on the court.
- Locker rooms will not be opened please make sure all players enter the facility dressed and ready for competition or practice.
- Essential personnel only are permitted on the field of play. These are defined as players, coaches, trainers and umpires.
- **Team Benches/Dugouts/Warm Up**
- Hand sanitizer should be plentiful at all contests and practices.
- Coaches are responsible for ensuring social distancing is maintained between players as much as possible. Teams will limit bench personnel to observe social distancing of 3 to 6 feet.
- Coaches should provide for additional spacing between players while playing catch, changing drills so that players remain spaced out, and no congregating of players (social distancing required) while waiting to bat.
- Players must bring their own water/beverage to consume during and after practice. No shared drinking fountains, portable hydration stations, or coolers may be used.
- Coaches must ban the use/spitting of sunflower seed shells and the sharing of snacks.

### **Umpires**

- Umpires are encouraged to wear a face covering during the game.

## Equipment

- Players should not share gloves, bats or clothing and players should use their own gloves, helmets, and bats as much as possible.
- A single player may hit in cages, throw batting practice (with netting as backstop, no catcher). Prior to another athlete using the same balls, they should be collected and cleaned individually.
- Athletic equipment such as bats, batting helmets and catchers gear should be cleaned between each use.
- Catching equipment must be cleaned and sanitized after each use
- All students shall bring their own water bottle. Water bottles must not be shared.
- Foul balls will be disinfected before being returned to the umpire.

## Pre-Game/Post Game

- No pre-game and post-game handshakes/high-fives/fist bumps. Athletes are encouraged to show sportsmanship verbally or by tipping your visor/hat.

## Site Directors of Athletics

Booker T. Washington	John Potocnik	<a href="mailto:potocjo@tulsaschools.org">potocjo@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-698-5252
Carver Middle School	Wayne Walls	<a href="mailto:wallswa@tulsaschools.org">wallswa@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-559-8760
Central	Nate Goodman	<a href="mailto:goodmna@tulsaschools.org">goodmna@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-830-1779
Central Middle School	Kelly Bowman	<a href="mailto:bowmake@tulsaschools.org">bowmake@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-869-9758
East Central	Gary Roberts	<a href="mailto:roberga@tulsaschools.org">roberga@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-284-2984
East Central Middle	Marlon Houston	<a href="mailto:houstma@tulsaschools.org">houstma@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-944-8000
Edison	Tony Daniels	<a href="mailto:danieto@tulsaschools.org">danieto@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-671-9484
Edison Middle School	Michael Parish	<a href="mailto:parismi@tulsaschools.org">parismi@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-7908-8879
Hale	Shane Keim	<a href="mailto:keimsh@tulsaschools.org">keimsh@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-695-6188
Hale Middle School	Daniel Hishaw	<a href="mailto:hishada@tulsaschools.org">hishada@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-231-7680
McLain	Phillip Johnson	<a href="mailto:johnsph@tulsaschools.org">johnsph@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-361-4682
Monroe	Konner Johnston	<a href="mailto:johnsko@tulsaschools.org">johnsko@tulsaschools.org</a>	479-626-1464
Memorial	Mark Dover	<a href="mailto:doverma@tulsaschools.org">doverma@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-282-0897
Memorial Middle School	Shirley Rose	<a href="mailto:rosesh@tulsaschools.org">rosesh@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-381-5735
Webster	Rob Biggins	<a href="mailto:biggiro@tulsaschools.org">biggiro@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-948-4804
Webster Middle School	Dawn Quinton	<a href="mailto:quintda@tulsaschools.org">quintda@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-698-3401
Will Rogers	Krystel Markwardt	<a href="mailto:markwkr@tulsaschools.org">markwkr@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-693-0317
Will Rogers	Brett Thomas	<a href="mailto:thomake@tulsaschools.org">thomake@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-698-3401
Thoreau Middle School	Charles Ivy	<a href="mailto:ivyich@tulsaschools.org">ivyich@tulsaschools.org</a>	918-565-7151

# District Department of Athletics

## Contact Information and Areas of Supervision

### **Gil Cloud**

Executive Director of Secondary Schools Athletics/Activities  
Office: 918-746-6454  
Cell: 918-892-5968  
Fax: 918-746-6182  
cloudgi@tulsaschools.org

### **Mick Wilson**

Deputy Director of Athletics/Compliance  
Office: 918-746-6468  
Cell: 918-218-3724  
Fax: 918-746-6182  
wilsomi2@tulsaschools.org

### **Jen Sanders**

Assistant Director of Athletics/Activities  
Office: 918-746-6106  
Cell: 918-316-2189  
Fax: 918-746-6182  
sandeje2@tulsaschools.org

### **Steve Friebus**

Coordinator of Sports Medicine  
Office: 918-746-6452  
Cell: 918-521-6339  
Fax: 918-746-6182  
friebst@tulsaschools.org

### **Lisa Norman**

Athletics Administrative Specialist  
Office: 918-746-6453  
Fax: 918-746-6182  
normali@tulsaschools.org

### **Irmgard Lieben**

Athletics Clerk  
Office: 918-925-1127 Fax: 918-746-6182  
liebeir@tulsaschools.org

Football  
Wrestling  
Baseball  
Golf  
OSSAA Liaison  
Event Administration  
District Wide Events

District Compliance  
Softball  
Basketball  
Soccer  
Tournament of Champions  
Event Administration  
Student Athlete Eligibility  
Volleyball  
Swimming  
Tennis  
Cheer and Pom  
District Physical Education  
Event Administration

Cross Country and Track and Field  
AED's & Physicals  
Athletics Injury & Concussion Report  
Care and Prevention Instruction  
EMSA Liaison  
Junior High Athletics  
Event Administration  
Athletics Office Management  
Board of Control Secretary  
Budget Control  
Purchase Orders  
Event Administration

BSN Purchasing  
On Boarding Adjunct, new coaches, volunteers

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](mailto:cloudgi@tulsaschools.org)