

SMSD SPECTATOR GUIDELINES

Spectators who have high risk conditions or who are around family members or other close contacts with high risk conditions should consider not attending sporting events.

These high-risk conditions would include but not limited to:

- ❖ *Chronic lung disease (including moderate or severe asthma)*
- ❖ *Serious heart conditions*
- ❖ *Severe obesity*
- ❖ *Diabetes*
- ❖ *Chronic kidney or liver disease*
- ❖ *Any immunocompromised medical conditions, including cancer*

Those parents/guardians and family members should discuss this with their physicians to determine the risk of attending activities and athletic events.

INTRODUCTION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

In order to mitigate risk factors associated with COVID-19 and protect the health of our students, staff and community, the following spectator safety protocols will be in place during the fall sports season. To attend an event, students, staff and fans will follow these guidelines:

- ❖ SMSD will follow the safety guidelines set forth in the KSHSAA [Activity Specific Considerations](#).
- ❖ All those in attendance must be free of any COVID 19 Symptoms
- ❖ Face masks are required throughout the event – all spectators must have a mask on to be admitted to the event. No mask, no admittance
- ❖ Face Masks are required to be worn for entry and where 6’ of social distancing cannot be maintained (examples: concession stand lines- pre-packaged items ONLY: this is a school option, restrooms, spectators standing along the fence line).
- ❖ Social Distancing of six feet. Families must sit in close proximity to each other.
- ❖ Arrive with hands sanitized
- ❖ Spectators will not be allowed near participant groups, or on fields/courts or inside fenced competition playing areas. Only essential personnel will be allowed near participants.
- ❖ At the end of each contest you must exit the facility immediately.
- ❖ Number of spectators is limited - based on school venue capacity.
- ❖ Bring only essential items to the event (no food or drink)
- ❖ Understand that guidelines are subject to change based upon local/state recommendations

TICKETS/ATTENDANCE AT EVENTS

- ❖ Each player receives two (2) tickets for football (home team 335 tickets; visiting team 200 tickets), volleyball (30 tickets per team) and soccer (56 tickets per team); cheer, dance, and band are included in football ticket allotment. There is no cost for these tickets. Tickets are for family members only. Siblings ten (10) and under may attend without a ticket and must sit with their family. Students must stay with their family for the entire game, as there will be no student section. Tickets will be provided to the instructor/coach and can only be used once at the specific event for which it was provided.
- ❖ No tickets will be provided for gymnastics. Each HS will alternate providing someone to film the entire floor at each event.
- ❖ Tickets are not required for golf, tennis or cross country; face masks must be worn, and social distancing guidelines followed.
- ❖ Special passes (Staff ID's, Senior Citizen, SFL & Activity) will not be accepted until restrictions are lifted.
- ❖ If patrons arrive early, please stay in your vehicle in the parking lot; parents may enter the venue 30 minutes prior to game start time.
- ❖ USD 512 reserves the right to revoke a ticket from anyone not willing to follow these guidelines. Staff members have the authority to enforce mitigation protocols.

PHOTOGRAPHERS/VIDEOGRAPHERS

Inside events - Only one photographer from SMSD teams allowed in each venue. Photographers are not allowed on the court of play. They must shoot pictures from the bleachers. No photographers/vide allowed from non-SMSD schools.

Outside events - Two photographers from each participating team. Photographers are not allowed on the field of play. They must shoot pictures from the bleachers.

Media credentials must be requested through and approved by the SMSD communications director, David Smith.

Family of student athletes will not be allowed on the field/court to take pictures. All pictures must be taken from the bleachers.

TAILGATING

Tailgating will not be permitted at any venue until all COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted.

NO GROUP GATHINGS IN PARKING LOTS

A group is defined by three or more people.