

# **LOOMIS CHAFFEE**

## **ATHLETICS**

### **Fall Interscholastic Athletics COVID-19 Protocols**

The following document outlines Loomis Chaffee's interscholastic athletics COVID-19 protocols for the fall 2021 season. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Cabot, athletic director, at 860.687.6308 or [sue\\_cabot@loomis.org](mailto:sue_cabot@loomis.org).

#### **Loomis Chaffee COVID-19 Vaccination Policy and Testing Protocols**

Loomis Chaffee requires all its students, faculty, and staff be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, but the school does have a small number of students who have medical exemptions and are unvaccinated. Unvaccinated students take a PCR COVID test twice a week (Mondays and Thursdays); all other community members (students, faculty, and staff) test on Thursdays. If we have any positive results on a team, those students/coaches will not play or travel with the team until they are cleared by the Loomis Chaffee Health Center. The Health Center follows a prescribed COVID-19 Exposure protocol. In the case of a positive test result, Loomis Chaffee will communicate with the athletic director of the opposing school scheduled to play the team affected.

#### **Expectations of Opponents**

Loomis Chaffee expects that our opponents overall school population is sufficiently vaccinated against COVID-19. Any unvaccinated athletes on opposing teams must be testing twice a week using PCR COVID tests and within 48 hours of scheduled contests. Any student or coach who tests positive may not travel to Loomis Chaffee, nor should any player or coach who tests positive be near their team or on the sidelines until cleared for return by their health center. In the event that an opposing school has a positive case within a team, we ask that Sue Cabot be notified.

#### **Masks**

Loomis Chaffee requires all members of our community and all visitors to campus (including athletes, coaches, and spectators) to wear masks while inside our buildings. This includes buses, bathrooms, locker rooms, ANY indoor athletic facilities, and all other indoor facilities on campus. All volleyball coaches and athletes are required to wear masks during competition. In water polo, all athletes and coaches will be masked on deck and remove masks when entering the pool to play.

Fully vaccinated spectators are welcome to attend indoor and outdoor contests but must wear masks when they are inside buildings. Unvaccinated spectators may attend outdoor contests only and are asked to mask outdoors because of the likelihood of close proximity to students and other community members. **Unvaccinated spectators are NOT permitted to attend indoor contests.**

### **Miscellaneous**

Loomis Chaffee will provide water jugs for visiting teams and asks that each team bring their own water bottles.

Loomis Chaffee will provide locker room facilities for varsity football and water polo only. Please contact Sue Cabot if you have questions about this arrangement.

Officials will follow the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) protocols policy. Loomis Chaffee is not mandating any requirements other than masks indoors.