SOMERS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT · ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

SIDELINE MEDIA AREAS

Guidelines for anyone photographing Somers student athletic contests, games, and other school-sponsored events open to the public on District grounds.

SIDELINE PHOTOGRAPHY PERMISSION & GUIDELINES

If you intend to photograph student athletic contests, games, or other school-sponsored events on Somers Central School District grounds — as a freelance photographer, a District employee, or a parent — you are required to act in a safe, professional, and non-disruptive manner at all times. Report to the Director of Athletics or Site Supervisor before the start of the event, and follow all directions given by District personnel, including adhering to designated media areas and any restrictions on field or sideline access.

The District reserves the right to approve, deny, or revoke sideline photography privileges at its discretion at any time.

Your presence on the sidelines and surrounding areas is at your own risk. You accept full responsibility for your health and safety and assume all risks associated with being on or near the field of play, including but not limited to being struck by players, balls, equipment, or other foreseeable hazards related to athletic contests. By photographing District events, you waive, release, and hold harmless the Somers Central School District, its Board of Education, administrators, employees, agents, and representatives from any and all liability, claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of or related to any injury, illness, property damage, or loss.

Designated media areas are established for every venue — see the diagrams below. Photographers are required to remain within these approved areas at all times. **Media areas are located anywhere outside of the black fence or field boundary**, including bleacher areas. No media is permitted in team boxes, dugouts, pitching areas, or hitting areas.

COMPLETE THE PERMISSION FORM →

Required before shooting your first event — takes about four minutes, no Microsoft account needed.

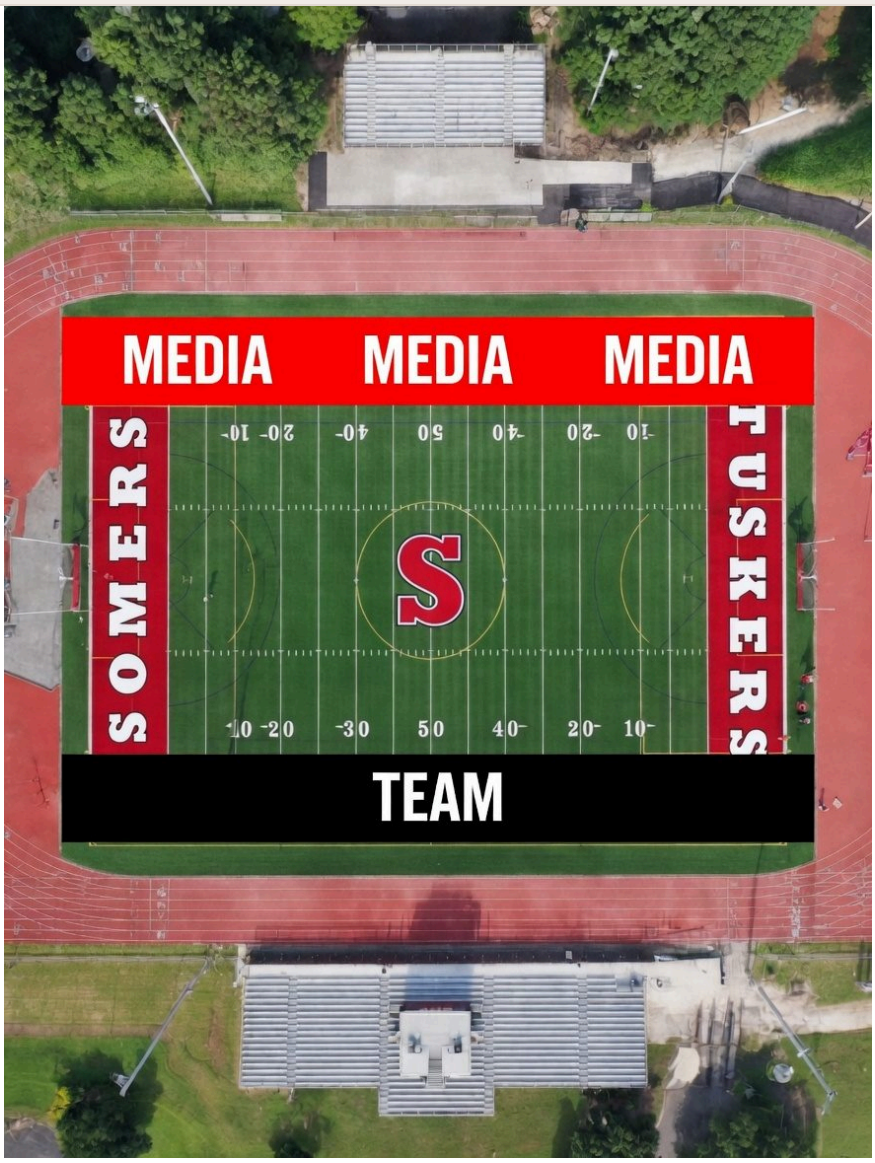
DESIGNATED MEDIA AREAS

Diagrams by venue

Media area No media — team / dugout / pitching / hitting area

LACROSSE, SOCCER & FIELD HOCKEY

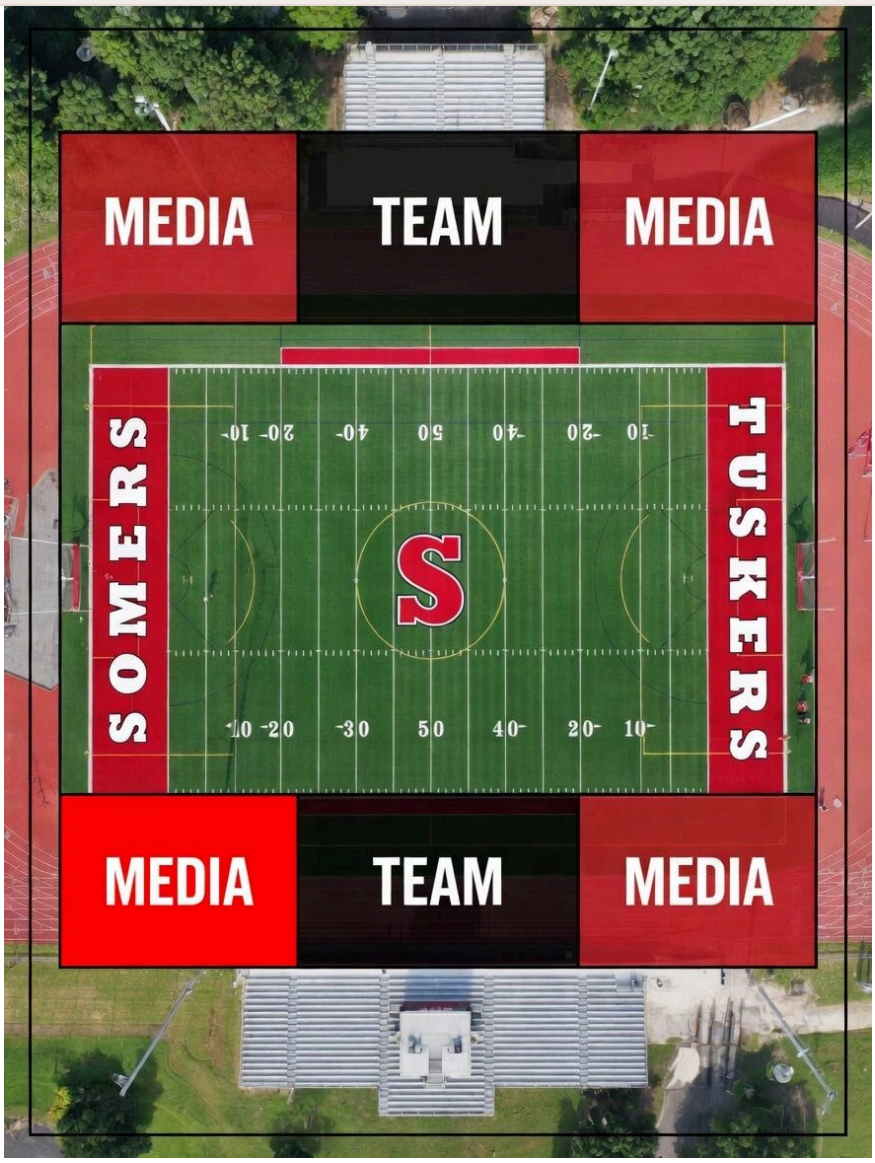
Turf Field · Boys & Girls



Covers Boys & Girls Lacrosse, Boys & Girls Soccer, and Field Hockey. Same turf breakdown as the football field.

FOOTBALL & FLAG FOOTBALL

Turf Field



Media positions run along the end zones outside the marked **Team** boxes. Same layout applies across both turf fields.

MAIN GYMNASIUM

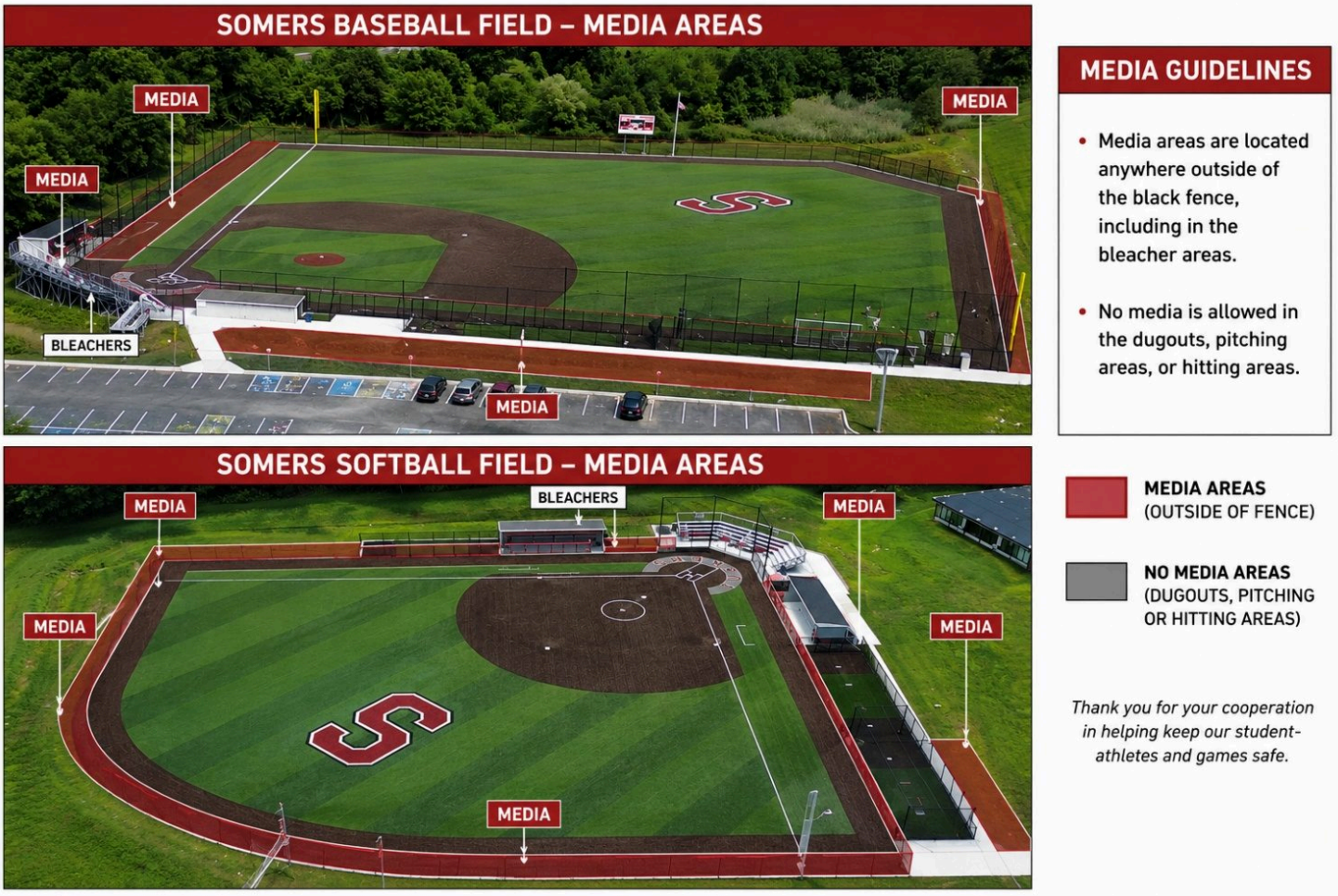
Indoor Court



Covers Boys & Girls Basketball, Fall & Winter Cheer, Wrestling, and Boys & Girls Volleyball. Media zones are marked along the baseline and corners of the court.

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Diamond Fields



Media areas are located anywhere outside the black fence, including bleacher areas. No media in dugouts, pitching areas, or hitting areas.