

Western Reserve HS/MS
Athletic Department/FIRELANDS CONFERENCE
GAME DAY PROTOCOL

- **CONTEST-DAY OPERATIONS**

- **Screening Procedures**

- Participants, coaches, and game day staff
- Temperature Check
- Symptom Check (Athletes will answer Covid-19 screening questions)
- Turn in record log to host school game administrator upon arrival
- Routine hand hygiene
- Must be wearing mask

Spectators

- Covid-19 symptom self assessment prior to arrival
- Sanitize hands prior to entering facility
- Must be wearing a mask
- Must present ticket voucher in order to purchase a ticket

- **Spectators Capacity**

- Capacity is based on the Governors and the State Department of Health Mandate that we must not exceed 15% capacity of fixed seating capacity.
- Bachelder Field- total capacity 1756- limited to 264 total spectators
- Western Reserve HS gym capacity 1083- limited to 162 total spectators
- Western Reserve EL gym capacity 384- limited to 58 total spectators.
 - *We will not be able to use our elementary gymnasium due to this low capacity (all MS volleyball games will be played at the HS gym this season)*
- In order to control the number of spectators in attendance and stay under 15%, vouchers will be given to home team participants and visiting team participants to allow for family members to purchase tickets at the home site. These numbers are pre-determined to stay under 15%.
 - Varsity Football Events at Bachelder Field, 2 vouchers for each home participant, and 2 vouchers for each visiting participant.
 - Middle School Football and JV Football Events, 2 vouchers for each home participant, and 2 vouchers for each visiting participant.

- Middle School Volleyball, 2 vouchers for each home participant, and 2 vouchers for each visiting participant. ***All Middle School Games will be played in the HS gym.***
- High School Volleyball, 4 vouchers for each home participant, and 2 vouchers for each visiting participant.
- ***Coaches will distribute a voucher to athletes to bring home.***
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- ***Athletic Director will distribute a ticket voucher to coaches/supervisors, who will then distribute the allotted amount to their athletes. The ticket voucher must be presented at the event in order to be able to purchase a ticket for admittance to the contest.***

- ***NO general admission tickets will be sold at the door.***

- ***WR is seeking a variance from the odh and the huron county health department to request approval for additional spacing at outdoor events to be utilized for football games with the expectation that social distancing be maintained and all other protocols followed as well.***

- **Fan Expectations**

- Each family will only receive the allocated number for that family.
- Seating will be marked off with tape to indicate seating areas to maintain social distancing.
- Families are expected to sit together.
- This will allow more space for social distancing from other spectators.
- Spectators that are standing on the ropes at Bachelder field will see tape indicating 6 feet in order to maintain social distancing.
- All Spectators attending events in the gym must be seated.
- Firelands Conference and OHSAA passes are the only passes accepted. All other passes will not be accepted. No other passes will be sold this fall.
- Individuals not wearing a mask will not be admitted, Spectator that does not wear a mask during the event may be asked to leave the facility.
- Scouts must contact the home athletic director 24 hours prior to be put on a scout list. College coaches etc.
- Varsity game tickets \$6.00,
- Lower level tickets \$5.00 for adult, \$3.00 for student.
- No additional general admission tickets will be sold.
- No student pre-sale tickets, and No passes will be sold.
- Gates will open 45 minutes prior to the start of the event for football
- Gates will open 30 minutes prior to every other contest.

- At the conclusion of the game all fans and teams, coaches, etc. must exit the facility immediately. No team gatherings or parents waiting for students inside the facility.
- No re-entry into the facility.
- Compliance Personnel
 - We will have compliance personnel at home football and volleyball games
 - Game administrators, Police Security, and compliance personnel will help to monitor and remind spectators of the mandates and guidelines

Athletic Teams and School Personnel traveling

- Prior to boarding the team travel mode of transportation, the Coaches must verbally screen each individual athlete, and perform a temperature check which is to be recorded.
- Upon arrival the opposing team will give the home site manager a record of their prescreening results and notify the home team if there were any abnormal screenings.
- If there is a potential or identified risk from screening, the individual should wear a face covering and be sent immediately to a designated area for isolation and the school action plan implemented
- Opposing teams on competition day will be notified of the potential risk observed through screening.

Officials / Referees

- The school administrator or designee will perform a verbal screening and temperature check upon the arrival of the officiating crew.
- If gameday officials / referees report an abnormal screening, the site administrator will notify the Senior Director of Officiating at the OHSAA.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS -

- All athletes must tape at their own facility. AT will treat their own athletes. No training services at visiting sites. Only athletes from an opposing school should be treated if it is a serious injury or emergency.

Game Day Face Coverings

- Mask / Face coverings will be worn by all athletes and coaches when traveling to and from designated team facilities.
- Masks/ Face coverings will be worn by student-athletes and coaches/ gameday personnel while on the sidelines / benches and not actively engaged in competition on field of play without the ability to socially distance. (i.e. jv volleyball team watching the varsity volleyball game, or ms cross country waiting to run their race)

- Masks will not be shared.

Arrival Time

- Visiting Teams
- Volleyball - 45 minutes prior to start time.
- Football Teams - 90 minutes prior to start time. (MS/JV 30 minutes)
- Teams should arrive dressed and ready for play.
 - Football Teams should come dressed in bottom pads.
 - Locker rooms available for HS football only
 - Showers will not be available for use
- Teams must bring their own water / hydration to away games.

Band / Cheerleaders

- There will be no marching bands traveling to away games
- Only the home band will be permitted to perform
- Halftime will be reduced to 10 minutes.
- Varsity Cheerleaders may travel to away games
- MS and JV Cheerleaders will not travel to away games.

GAME CONCLUSION

- At the conclusion of the game all parents, fans, teams and coaches must exit the facility immediately. No team gatherings or parents waiting for students inside the facility.
- No re-entry into any facility.

CONCESSIONS

- At this time we will not have concessions for any athletic events.
- Fans are encouraged to bring bottles of water if they so choose.
- There are bottle fillers available in the HS at drinking fountains

INCLEMENT WEATHER

- In the case of inclement weather teams and coaches should return to their locker room area and spectators should return to their vehicles.

Signs will be posted and announcements read over the PA

Sample PA Announcement

The Firelands Conference thanks you for your support of interscholastic athletics and reminds you that in order for our students and coaches to participate we need your help! As guests today/tonight, we ask that you please do your part to protect yourself and your community from the COVID-19 virus.

While at this event:

- **all fans, as well as student-athletes, coaches and officials not actively participating in the event, must wear a mask or face shield;**
- **maintain social-distancing at all times;**
- **please wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after sneezing, coughing or contact with high-touch surfaces like door handles and handrails;**
- **avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth and mask;**
- **avoid contact with people who are sick;**
- **stay home and contact a doctor if you are sick or display symptoms such as fever, cough, or difficulty breathing.**

At the Conclusion of this contest

- **Fans must refrain from approaching the playing area**
- **all spectators must immediately exit the facility.**
- **Teams will gather their belongings and exit the building to leave the facility or get on their school bus.**
- **Our goal is to limit both student and spectator exposure time**

The students, coaches and communities of the FC want to play. Without your support and cooperation in keeping everyone safe and healthy, we may not be able to keep playing the games we love. Please do your part to help keep our teams on the court/field this season. Thank you for your support!