O'Neill Public Schools Activities

The NSAA has released their fall sports guidelines for 2020. We understand the circumstances related to COVID 19 are constantly changing and will vary from community to community. The safety and well-being of the participants, spectators, officials is and always will be the primary consideration as we provide opportunities to participate in extra-curricular activities at O'Neill High School.

The following are steps the OHS administration will take each week. Please pass these on to your coaches and fans.

General Policies

- Implement effective cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- There will be designated spots for filling team water bottles, but we are encouraging teams to bring their own water. Water fountains will NOT be available. There are water filling stations at the gyms only. Teams bring your own water jugs/ice.
- All fans will enter through the same entrance, use the same restrooms, and limited concessions will be available. We ask you use proper social distancing. Anyone not listed as a member of the team may be required/encouraged to wear a mask, depending on the current risk level or each school participating.
- Restricted seating may be enforced as per Directed Health Measure.
- Each school will have your own locker room to use, except for softball, girls golf, & cross country. Coaches/Sponsors are responsible for students maintaining social distancing in locker room areas.
- Family groups are to be seated together.
- Student sections is OHS students currently enrolled in grades 7-12. Students in grades Pre K-6 should sit with their parents.
- Opposing bench personnel are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. This includes coaches, players not in the game, student managers, statisticians, filmers, and media.
- We will follow all NSAA sport specific COVID-19 modifications.
- Most home varsity games will be broadcasted by our Eagle Eye Broadcast team <u>www.EagleEyeBroadcasting.com</u> You can check their broadcast calendar at <u>http://www.eagleeyebroadcasting.com/services.html</u>.

Volleyball Specific

- Teams will not switch benches between sets
- There will be a designated area in the bleachers for masks and no masks. Please sit in your preferred location, do not go to the other section, and maintain proper social distancing.
- Locker rooms will be disinfected prior to your arrival.
- Concessions will be provided
- Each team bench will have a marked off space that no fans will be allowed to be in.
- All elementary aged students are expected to sit with their parents/guardians. They will not be allowed to be in the hallways except when going to the restroom or concessions.
- No crock pots or meals will be allowed to be served to the players. They may have a grab and go type meal that they can eat on their bus.
- No fans will be allowed inside the basketball court following a game. We ask that everyone leave the facility as soon as the final game is done.

Football Specific

- Locker rooms will be disinfected prior to your arrival.
- Concessions will be available.
- No spectators will be allowed on the field prior to or after the game is completed. We ask that everyone leave the facility as soon as the game is done.
- No crock pots or meals will be allowed to be served to the players. They may have a grab and go type meal that they can eat on their bus.

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Softball Specific

- Extended dugouts will be flagged out to allow for social distancing.
- Concessions will be provided
- No crock pots or meals will be allowed to be served to the players. They may have a grab and go type meal that they can eat on their bus.
- No fans will be allowed inside the field of play following a game. We ask that everyone leave the facility as soon as the final game is done.

Here is a quick guide for what to expect for our game this week in O'Neill.

- Date: 9-24-20
- Event: JV/Varsity volleyball vs. Hartington CC & Wayne
- Location of Event: O'Neill High School

Current Risk Color Level: Yellow-

Seating Capacity %: 75%. Fans may use every bleacher. Families and households may sit together. Please keep 6' spacing for all others.

Spectator Expectations: Mask recommended but not required, Social Distancing, Seating in bleachers only,

Concessions: Limited but open

As of August 20, 2020, here is the guide we will use to help us determine if we compete each week. If a school, we host or travel to has risk level of:

Green: We intend to play/host

Yellow: We intend to play/host

<u>Orange:</u> We will use information from both/all schools local Health Department to determine if O'Neill Public Schools teams will travel or host.

NOTE: O'Neill is in the North Central District Health District. NCDHD updates our risk level every Wednesday night, typically around 5 pm. The risk dial can be found at <u>http://ncdhdne.wordpress.com</u>.

Please plan to unload students on the South side of O'Neill High School at the Activities Entrance and park busses on the East side of the building off 7th street. If you have questions /or concerns arise please call. Nick Hostert, AD.