



## SHAWNEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### ATHLETIC EVENT GUIDELINES

Dear Student-Athletes, Coaches, Staff, Officials, Administrators, Parents and Patrons: On behalf of Shawnee Public Schools, we would like to welcome you to our facilities. As we begin our winter sports season, we would like you to know that the health and safety of all student-athletes, coaches, staff, officials, administrators, parents and patrons are our top priority.

#### **Below are our SPS Athletic Event Guidelines for Winter Sports:**

- According to the city of Shawnee's mask ordinance all participants and non-participants will be required to wear masks/face coverings at all times and maintain social distance when possible. Refusal to wear a mask or face covering will prevent admittance into the facility. Refusal to wear a mask inside of the facility will be grounds for removal. Visiting teams' coaches and/or administration will be responsible for assisting with facial coverings for visiting spectators. Spectators are expected to stay 6ft away from each other, unless they are from the same family.
- All spectators should make every effort to have exact change for gate and concession transactions. Gate entry (Basketball/Wrestling) is \$5.00 for adults and students (K-12). Ticket sellers and concession workers will be required to wear masks and gloves. We would like to limit exchanges between patrons and workers while promoting social distancing with limited gatherings in both areas.
- Concession stands will be selling only prepackaged items such as candy bars, chips, crackers, etc. All beverages will be in bottles.
- Fans will not be allowed on the court after the game. No congregating in the lobby area after the game or match. Please exit the facility as quickly as possible.
- Participants (players/coaches/officials) may remove their masks while engaged in competition on the court or mat. Should participants choose to wear masks during competition, they may do so.
- Athletes not engaged in competition (bench area) will be required to wear facial coverings.
- For participants, officials and coaches - no shared towels, clothing, shoes, or water bottles. Visiting teams will be responsible for bringing their own water and water bottles.
- While we believe sportsmanship is a paramount to the development of young people, at this time, we will recommend no pre-game or post-game hand shaking, high-fives, or fist bumps between opposing teams to reduce contact as much as possible.
- Locker rooms will be accessible to teams but we highly recommend, for both home and visiting teams as well as officials, to come dressed and ready to participate for the event. Masks will be required in locker rooms, athletic training rooms and coaches' offices and any area considered outside of the playing field or court. Locker rooms will be sanitized prior to and after occupancy.
- Limit the number of athletes, coaches, and managers on the bench. Chairs will be provided for the bench area for both teams.
- Limit contact between players when substituting. **BB**
- Officials table will be limited to essential personnel; which includes the home team scorer and timer with social distancing between individuals. Visiting team personnel are not deemed essential and will need to find an alternative location. Table personnel will wear a mask or face covering.
- Before, during and after the contest - players, coaches, game officials, team personnel and game administration officials should wash and sanitize their hands as often as possible.
- Ball given to officials in the locker room, where it is sanitized and not used for warm-ups. **BB**
- The host school should ensure that the ball is sanitized during time-outs and between quarters. **BB**
- Sanitizer should be provided by the host team at the table.
- Weigh-ins: Teams will weigh in separately (work out prior to weigh-in), temperatures will be taken at weigh-in. **WR**
- SPS athletes and coaches will be expected to follow SPS event guidelines at home and away contests.

**\*Event guidelines are subject to change as we receive additional data and information.**