

To: BSD Students, Staff, Parents, Alumni, Community Members, and other spectators

RE: Mandated limits on individuals in attendance at a high school athletic contest Season 1 (2020-2021 school year)

It is essential that everyone does their part to keep student-athletes, coaching staff, event personnel, and any allowed spectators safe during this year's high school sports seasons.

In accordance with the Governor's Phase 2 guidance and in coordination with the Washington State Department of Health, schools are allowed a maximum of only 200 total individuals in a facility during a competition. This mandate includes our gyms and stadiums. We have outlined a plan that will allow us to meet these mandated limits:

Steps for determining the number of participants present at a competition:

- 1) **Head Coaches:** Head Coaches will be responsible for setting roster limits. Specific limits for 'team' sports are outlined below. Rosters for home and visiting teams will include the school's coaching staff and athletes.
 - a) When applicable, the roster will include cheerleaders, athletic trainers, and statisticians.
 - b) Teams (neither home nor visiting) **cannot** bring parents along to fill these spots unless the parent has an assigned duty on the team and have been cleared through the school's athletic department.
 - c) Visiting team's athletic department will notify the home team athletic department if their roster does not fill the maximum number of athletes allowed.
- 2) **Other Personnel:** The home school's athletic department will assign other personnel essential to game operations. All personnel are specific to the scheduled competition and includes (with event maximums in parenthesis), but is not limited to the following positions:
 - a) Clock operators (3),
 - b) Announcer,
 - c) Officials (5),
 - d) Administration Supervision (2-3),
 - e) Event Staff (max of 10), and
 - f) Media.
- 3) **Roster Size Limits: Season 1**
 - a) Football = up to 90. This number includes:
 - i) Coaching Staff, athletes, cheerleaders, athletic trainers, and statisticians.
 - ii) Teams **cannot** bring parents along to fill these spots unless the parent has an assigned duty on the team and have been cleared through the school's athletic department.
 - b) Volleyball = up to 60. This number includes:
 - i) Coaching Staff, athletes (includes Varsity, JV, C), cheerleaders, athletic trainers, and statisticians.
 - ii) Teams **cannot** bring parents along to fill these spots unless the parent has an assigned duty on the team and have been cleared through the school's athletic department.
 - c) Soccer = up to 70. This number includes:
 - i) Coaching Staff, athletes (includes Varsity, JV, and C), cheerleaders, athletic trainers, and statisticians.
 - ii) Teams **cannot** bring parents along to fill these spots unless the parent has an assigned duty on the team and have been cleared through the school's athletic department.
 - d) Swimming = limited to the number allowed within the aquatic facility per their guidelines.
 - i) For Mary Wayte Pool – the maximum number of individuals in the facility is 50, including facility employees.
 - e) Cross Country = there is maximum number of 200 people allowed at the race venue.

Once the roster numbers are determined for a home contest, the facility may be able to accommodate spectators. When planning a competition, each program will be affected by the following limitations:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Limits/Restrictions</u>
Cross Country	Outside venues for all schools	The competitive venue is the starting/finish area. There cannot be any crowding in and around the starting and finish lines. These areas will be marked off and spectators will not be allowed in the marked off area.
Football (Cheer/Drill)	High School Stadium	Spectator opportunities will be determined using the process included above.
Golf	Outside venues for all schools	Golf courses will not be able to accommodate spectators for competitions this season.
Soccer	High School Stadium	Spectator opportunities will be determined using the process included above.
Swim and Dive	Outside venues for all schools	Aquatic facilities will not be able to accommodate spectators for competitions this season.
Tennis	High School tennis courts	The competitive venue is the fenced-in tennis court. No crowding is permitted on the fence of the tennis courts. There will be a clearly marked area around the courts and spectators will not be allowed in the marked-off area.
Volleyball	High School Gyms	Spectator opportunities will be determined using the process included above. Note: Some games may be contested in a gym that cannot host spectators.

Should it be possible to accommodate spectators, the remaining spots that will take a facility up to 200 total bodies will be filled in the following order:

1. The home team's senior parents (for a football contest, this includes football, cheer, and drill parents)
2. The home team's junior parents (for a football contest, this includes football, cheer, and drill parents)
3. The home team's sophomore parents (for a football contest, this includes football, cheer, and drill parents)
4. The home team's freshman parents (for a football contest, this includes football, cheer, and drill parents)

All spectators must adhere to the safety guidelines and protocols of wearing a mask, washing their hands, staying physically distant, and completing attestations prior to an entry to any event. If spectators are allowed into the event, there will be no admission cost to attend.

An example of how the spectator limit at a home football game would be determined:

SPORT	GROUPS	NUMBERS*
FOOTBALL	HOME TEAM PERSONNEL	75
	OPPONENTS PERSONNEL	75
	<u>EVENT PERSONNEL</u>	<u>20</u>
	SUB TOTAL	170
	# OF ENTRIES LEFT = 30	
	<u>SENIOR PARENTS</u>	<u>30*</u>
	TOTAL	200

*Note: spectator numbers may be adjusted if the Home Team and Opponents do not reach their allotted allowable numbers!

We now have Pixellot cameras installed in each school's Main Gym and stadium fields for spectators to watch through the National Federation of State High Schools (NFHS) Network. Additional information will be posted on our school websites and social media outlets.

Please hold off on subscribing until we have our games scheduled, but you can research how to subscribe on the NFHS website ([Choose a Plan](#)).

Additional Details

General Spectator Rules for Stadium and Gym:

- Spectators will be asked to pre-register no less than 24 hours before an event
- Spectators will be asked to arrive at designated time only
- Spectators will be asked to have their temperature checked and provide attestation on site
- Spectators will be asked to enter and exit from specified locations
- Spectator attendance recorded for contact tracing
- Spectators will be asked to wear a mask/face covering at all times
- Spectators will be asked to remain 6 feet apart from anyone not in their own family at all times
- Spectators will be asked to leave a facility immediately when an event ends, no lingering in the facility
- Areas outside a facility's fences are not the responsibility of the event management staff