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Student Activities Complex (SAC) Football Game Procedures

Current UIL and Socorro ISD policies and rules will be enforced at all times. State laws and school policies regarding alcohol, controlled substances, tobacco products, and weapons will be in effect.

Admission to Press Box

The following will be allowed in the Press Box during football games. All Press Box guests must enter through the assigned entrance:

- South Entrance
 - Former and Present School Board Members, Family, and Guests
 - SISD Administration and Visiting Team Administration (Family/Children accompanied by an adult)
- North Entrance
 - Media Personnel (with proper identification and credentials)
 - Home Football Team Staff (working)
 - Visiting Football Team Staff (working)
 - Scouts (maximum of three) from next game's opponent
 - Fine Arts Administration
 - Band and Dance Directors
 - Film Crew (maximum of three)
 - Guests as approved by Socorro Independent School District Department of Athletics
 - SAC Press Box Game Workers (on-duty)
 - Accommodations may be made by Department of Athletics during inclement weather (Film Crews are 1st priority)

Tunnel Entry

A SISD Security Officer, or other personnel, will be assigned duty to the tunnel. The following will be allowed entry through the tunnel.

- Football Team and Coaching Staffs
- SISD sub-varsity athletes escorted by a football coach from their campus 15-45 minutes before scheduled kick-off.
- Cheerleaders, Drill Teams, Band Members, Flag Groups, and ROTC with sponsors and in uniform.
- Athletic Trainers and Student Trainers
- Pass List Guests

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- Athletic Directors
- District and Campus Administration
- SISD Athletic Coordinators and SISD Coaches
- Band Boosters with proper passes (Gators used to transport band equipment)
- Run-Through Personnel (5 per campus)
- SAC Personnel
- Former and Present SISD School Board Members, Family, and Guests
- Adults Wearing an Official Sideline Pass
- Media (with proper identification and credentials)
- Groups entering the SAC through the tunnel for special events (i.e. feeder pattern night) must be accompanied and escorted into the facility by a coach, sponsor, or other personnel. Parents are to enter by purchasing a ticket and entering through either the North or South entry point.
- Guests being honored during events such Senior Night are to enter by paying for a ticket and entering through either the North or South entry point. These guests will be asked to come to the field for recognition through the PA system at the appropriate time.

Sidelines

The head coach from each school is in charge of all coaches, players, ball boys, and team managers in their team area. Athletic trainers are responsible for their student trainers. The campus principal, or designated administrator-in-charge, may provide a sideline pass for guests (maximum of 10). Individuals without sideline passes must remain in the stands at all times (to include pre- and post- game). Children must be accompanied by an adult with an official sideline pass. The Department of Athletics, with assistance from campus administration and SISD Police Services, is responsible for enforcing all sideline guidelines.

- The following will be allowed in the team box during the game:
 - Football Players
 - Coaching Staff
 - Team Managers
 - Ball Boys
 - Athletic Trainers
 - Student Trainers
- The following will be allowed on the sidelines during the game but not allowed in team area:
 - Administrators
 - Former and Present SISD School Board Members, Families, and Guests
 - Middle School Coaches wearing school coaching shirt (when their feeder high school is playing)
 - Students and Adults working as part of the videoboard production team
 - Student Media (yearbook, newspaper, website, etc.) Must remain on their school's sideline at all times with appropriate identification.
 - Media with proper identification and credentials
 - Adults wearing a sideline pass

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Pre-Game/Halftime Performances

All band performances will follow 1-5A & 1-6A procedures. The visiting bands will perform during pre-game. They will have the opportunity to take the field 25 minutes prior to start time and must be off the field 12 minutes prior to start time. Home team bands will perform at half time. They will have the same amount of time and must be off the field 3 minutes prior to the end of the half.

The tunnel area, with the exception of Emergency Vehicles, is to remain clear at all times during the event. Performance group equipment trucks will unload/load outside of the tunnel gate. Groups that are forming an entry procession (bands, flag groups, dance squads, etc.) need to stage outside the tunnel gate and enter as a group.

School Mascot Run-Through

Each high school will submit a list of their run-through volunteers (maximum of 5) to the Department of Athletics two days before the scheduled game. Only approved personnel (not including family or friends) whose name appears on the pass list will be allowed to enter through the tunnel. Volunteers will be issued a Run-Through Crew pass and must enter the stands after the run-through is set up and stored. Each high school is responsible for informing their volunteers of the run-through set up and takedown. Children will not be allowed in the area where the run-through is being set up.

Run-through crews must provide all necessary equipment (extension cords, generators, tables, etc.).

Signs, Banners, & Flags

Only signs, banners, and flags approved by SISD campus administration or Department of Athletics will be allowed to be displayed at the SAC. Signs must be affixed to the walls at the base of the stadium using painters' tape (no duct tape, masking tape, electrical tape, or other adhesive devices may be used).

Individual player signs will not be approved. Visiting Teams will not be allowed to display their team or mascot flags.

Spirit crews with handheld flags will be allowed to participate during the game but will not be allowed on the sidelines or field.

The SISD Department of Athletics reserves the right to remove any signage that they feel is derogatory, explicit, or offensive.

Noise Makers

Noise-making devices such as air horns and whistles are strictly prohibited. The SISD Department of Athletics reserves the right to deem any other noise making device or instrument as a hindrance to the operation or enjoyment of the game and will ask patrons using these devices to refrain from using them.

Student Conduct

Students are to be reminded, by campus administration, that they are at a school sponsored event and representing their school. Students must comply with the SISD Code of Conduct and dress code. Shoes and shirt must be worn at all times. Students may not jump on the aluminum bleachers at any time. Students will be warned of any rule infractions and be escorted out of the facility if they fail to comply with rules and guidelines.

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Fundraising

Due to the SAC Concession Stand Contract, food items may not be sold by any school group, or other organization, during an event when SAC concession stands are open. All fundraising activities must have previous campus and Department of Athletics approval.

Items Prohibited on Field or Track

The following items are not allowed on the field or track:

- Tobacco or tobacco products
- Gum
- Sun flower seeds
- Shelled nuts
- Confetti, Silly String, and baby powder (not allowed in stands either)
- Sand bags
- Spiked heeled shoes
- Lighters
- Candles
- Luminaries
- Bicycles
- Skateboards
- Balloons

Umbrellas may be used in the stadium provided they do not obstruct the view of others. Patrons using umbrellas will be asked to sit in the upper levels of the stadium.

Alcohol, tobacco, and tobacco products are not allowed on school district property, to include the SAC. Animals, with the exception of Seeing Eye dogs or canine officers, are not allowed in the stadium.

Vehicles/Emergency Access

Vehicular access to the track and field is prohibited to all vehicles, except SISD Gators or golf carts.

Exceptions may be made and approved by the Department of Athletics. In case of a medical emergency, an EMS vehicle may be directed onto the track or field.

Equipment

All equipment brought into the SAC must be rubber-based or rubber-tipped. Sharp edges can damage the track and artificial grass field and are not allowed. Solid weights (not sandbags) must be used to secure air-inflated school mascot run-throughs, and other similar items. Items in question must be approved by the Department of Athletics prior to use at games or during the pre-game, halftime, or post-game performances or activities.

Weather

Lightening in the area will result in a 30 minute weather delay. Patrons may be asked to exit the stadium in an orderly fashion; they may remain on the premises in their vehicle until it is safe to return.

Games postponed or cancelled will be completed at the next available date, time, and location as agreed upon by athletic directors of the participating schools and pending official availability.

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School Passes

30 - Band (given out by SISD Fine Arts Dept.)

20 - Administration – Personnel designated by the participating schools

10 - Tunnel Crew (Pre- Game / Halftime)