

NEWCASTLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Racer Community,

Nothing is more important to Newcastle than the safety of their students, staff, family, and guests. In light of recent acts of violence at Oklahoma high school football games, Newcastle Public Schools is implementing the following protocols to help increase the safety of all individuals in attendance at Newcastle home events for all sports. We appreciate your cooperation and adherence to these new guidelines. We love getting together as a community to cheer on the Racers, but we want everyone to be safe.

NEWCASTLE ATHLETICS SPECTATOR GUIDELINES/EXPECATIONS

- There will be no re-entry once a spectator/fan has exited the facility.
- Facility/Gates will open for admission one hour before game time.
- The following policies will be enforced this year (including, but not limited to):
 - ✓ No Weapons (including guns and knives) are allowed on NPS property. This includes concealed carry weapons, even if a person has a license.
 - ✓ All bags must be clear. (With the exception of diaper bags).
 - ✓ No backpacks, purses, oversized or draw string bags.
 - ✓ Personal sporting equipment such as balls or footballs.
 - ✓ Outside food or beverage, ice chest, coolers and containers.
 - ✓ Tobacco, alcohol, or drugs of any type.
 - ✓ Laser pointers.
 - ✓ Pets (with the exception of service animals)
 - ✓ External sound systems, speakers, etc.
- NPS students without student ID's (Pre-K-8th grade for 2023-2024) must be accompanied by an adult and remain with the adult at all times.
- NPS high school students will be required to show/provide their student ID with their ticket.
- Loitering will not be tolerated: Students/children are to sit in the stands (or at the fence with parents) and shall not congregate under the stands or in other areas of the sporting complex.
- All clear bags and diaper bags will be allowed but may be subject to search.
- Bags necessary for approved medical equipment are permitted.
- Parents are to keep students under direct supervision at all times in case of an emergency situation.
- Students will be restricted to their (home or visitor) side of the stadium.
- Failure to meet these expectations will result in removal from the event.
- NPS will have extra police, security and administrators at home events to monitor policies and enforce expectations by students and spectators.
- IF You See Something Say Something
- Thank you for your support of Newcastle Public Schools and Racer Athletics and for taking time to observe these rules for the safety of our students, staff, families and guests.