



**Carthage Elementary School District 317  
COVID Extracurricular Attendance Policy  
Spring 2021**

In accordance with IDPH, CDC, IHSA, IESA, ISBE, and the Hancock County Health Department Carthage ESD #317 has developed the following guidelines for all **HOME** games/meets during the 2021 season for spring extracurricular activities.

1. Our policies set forth previously will remain intact for the remainder of 2021 indoor WINTER sports (i.e., girls volleyball). This means **we will NOT be allowing any spectators in the building for games, as this is an IESA rule.**

**Indoor SPRING Extracurricular Activities (i.e., girls basketball):**

2. We will NOT be allowing any spectators from the *visiting team* in the building for games.
3. Every CESD player will be allowed **two people** into the game/meet.
4. Spectators for the 7th grade game must leave before the 8th grade game to allow for the 8th grade spectators. Of course, there are exceptions to this rule if families have a student in both 7th and 8th grades and are the allotted spectator for both students.
5. The school district is not going to police who players/parents give their seats to. Obviously, we will keep track and police it at the gate. But, we will not spend our day as Ticket Master. We will spend our day educating students.
6. CMS Gym Seating: players will sit on the first row of bleachers. The other grade level (i.e., 8th grade players if 7th grade is playing and vice versa) will sit on the second row of bleachers. Spectators will sit in the 4th row of bleachers and beyond.
7. Teams may bring only players that are playing.
8. Players will arrive in uniform, as locker rooms will not be available
9. The VISITING team will be allowed 1 bookkeeper, who will work both games.
10. Teams will be allowed 1 film person.
11. Teams are not allowed managers.
12. Teams are not allowed cheerleaders.
13. Teams will be allowed 3 certified bench coaches.

14. The VISITING team must provide an accurate list of those in attendance to the Carthage ESD #317 Athletic Director, for contact tracing purposes.
- 15. Masks are mandatory for all players, personnel, and spectators in the gym. It must cover the nose and mouth (i.e., follow IDPH & ISBE Guidelines).**
16. VISITING schools are allowed 1 employed administrator.
17. VISITING schools are allowed 1 Bus Driver.
18. **Carthage ESD #317** will provide a space for halftime. Please ask the Carthage ESD #317 Athletic Director for details.
19. **Carthage ESD #317** will be streaming all indoor home games. The link is listed below and will also be posted on the school website and the Carthage Middle School Facebook page. The games will be live streamed via YouTube. The games that are live streamed will not be available to the public once the game is finished.

[Carthage ESD #317 Youtube](#)

**Outdoor SPRING Extracurricular Activities (i.e., track & field):**

1. Please know that we receive new information every day, and this situation is very fluid and ever changing.
2. Every player (home and visiting teams) will be allowed **two people** into the game/meet.
3. The school district is not going to police who players/parents give their seats to. Obviously, we will keep track and police it at the gate. But, we will not spend our day as Ticket Master. We will spend our day educating students.
4. **Masks are mandatory for all players, personnel, and spectators on the track/field. It must cover the nose and mouth (i.e., follow IDPH & ISBE Guidelines).**
5. SIZE OF MEETS: That question does not have a definitive answer. The restrictions being placed on schools and the IESA will determine how you administer your meets. What will determine the size of our meet is the mandate from IDPH that runners must be placed in every other lane (i.e., a 6 lane track can have a max of 3 runners per heat). Because of this limitation, it will be very difficult to host a meet with more than 3 teams.
6. STATE SERIES: Please note that no official decision has been made regarding the status of the state series.
7. More information to come regarding track. If you have additional questions, please reach out to your track coaches or athletic director. As always, we will keep you updated as best we can.
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