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System (Drones) Regulations

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Minidoka County Joint School District # 331

## **Athletic Events**

The Minidoka County Joint School District #331 will adhere to the following IHSAA (Idaho High School Athletic Association) guidelines in regards to the use of drones.

The use of <u>drones (Uunmanned Aircraftaerial S</u>systems - <u>(UASs)</u> will be allowed during regular season games at member school sites, and member school sites who are hosting playoff games, with the following stipulations:

- 1. May not be flown over the crowd, sidelines, or playing surface at any time;
- 2. May only be flown at the end of the field;
- 3. Game officials will have the final ruling on the use of drones as it pertains to safety and game situations.
- 4. All local school district policies and game management rules will take precedence in regards to usage by visiting teams.
- 5. Host sites will communicate their rules regarding usage of unmanned aerial systems to the visiting schools a minimum of 24 hours before game time

## **School Related**

Teachers/staff, students (over 16 years old) may, with pre-approval from the District's Administration, and if part of a school program or activity, operate a drone (UAS) on school property solely for the limited purpose of the administrative pre-approval.

## **Usage Guidelines**

All Federal Aviation Administration guidelines will supersede school and district policies. The following rules must be followed when operating a drone (UAS):

- 1. Limit the altitude to less than 400 feet above the ground;
- 2. Be operated using specified FAA safety guidelines (information found at www.faa.gov);
- 3. Not weigh more than 55 pounds;
- 4. No t<del>T</del>aking pictures of property or persons without consent
- 5. Not dDeliberately annoying another person, interfering with another's work, insulting or attacking others, or harassing others;
- 6. Data collected by a drone can only be used for educational purposes and may not be sold for profit.
- 4.7. Not be operated in a manner that would not interfere with any manned aircraft;
- 5.8. Provide notification to the airport operator and the airport air traffic control tower of a planned use of a drone (UAS)n UAS within five miles of any airport.

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Legal Reference: Memorandum: Educational Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS),
Federal Aviation Administration
The FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012, Section 336. Special
Rule for Model Aircraft
I.C. § 21-213 Restrictions on Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Other References: Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Federal Aviation Administration, https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting\_started/

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**SECTION 900: SCHOOL FACILITIES**