

Tomahawk High School - COVID-19 Football Game Protocol, Fall 2020

General:

As of the current date (9-15-20) the THS Football Teams are scheduled to host 8 home games this season, including Varsity games on Fridays, September 18 and 25 and Fridays, October 16 and 30 as well as JV games on Monday, September 28, Mondays, October 5 and 19 and Monday, November 2, 2020

In keeping with WIAA-WI and GNC guidelines as well as to ensure compliance with state and local guidelines/recommendations including WI-DHFS, Lincoln County Health and CDC, our games will observe the following, with our goal to run fun and competitive games, while keeping all athletes, coaches, team staff/managers, officials, vouchered spectators and essential game workers as safe and healthy as possible, so we can fully complete a successful season within the confines of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

As of the current date, on game days, access to the Tomahawk School District building will be limited to the following:

*coaches, team staff/managers and players from both teams will have access to the building only as far as a designated locker room facility for each team, located down the hall just inside Door #17.

*essential game workers including WIAA certified officials and a limited number of vouchered spectators will have access only to our outside entrance restroom facilities, located immediately adjacent to Door #18.

Per School District of Tomahawk mandate, Face Coverings (masks) are required to be worn by ALL who enter any of our indoor AND outdoor facilities, and should be donned BEFORE entering any part of the building and/or outdoor facility area. Per Great Northern Conference directive, all football players, coaches, and team staff/managers will also be required to mask when on the sidelines of games.

Recommended Pre-entrance Health Screening:

ALL athletes, coaches, team staff/managers, officials, vouchered spectators and essential meet workers should follow the established screening questions below, before entering any portion of the Tomahawk School District (both indoor and outdoor):

Are you currently experiencing any of the following?

Temperature greater than 100.4 degrees F.

Coughing

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Chills and chills with repeated shaking

Muscle pain

Headache

Sore throat

New loss of taste or smell

Close contact with any person with any above symptoms of COVID-19

Anyone exhibiting symptoms of the above AFTER any game date should contact the Tomahawk School District Activities Director, Garth Gerstenberger at 715-453-2106, ext. 227.

Athletes/coaches/staff must see a physician and be cleared for training/competition/work after being diagnosed or suspected to have COVID-19.

Athletes/coaches/vouchered spectators/essential game workers should stay home if they feel sick. Essential game workers who are signed up to work, but who cannot attend as scheduled due to illness, should kindly call and leave a message at 715-453-2106, ext. 203 -or- email to schiltzm@tomahawk.k12.wi.us with enough lead time so as to be able to find a replacement worker.

Essential Football Game Workers (Fall 2020):

Essential game workers for THS Football will consist of the following:

One – Game Manager

One - Announcer (in the booth)

One - Clock (in the booth)

Two – Spectator Voucher Checkers

Two – Crowd Control

Four to Five - WIAA Certified Officials

Entrance into/exit from the Tomahawk Schools for Fall 2020 Football games will be as follows:

Parking for ALL Essential Game Workers, WIAA officials, and all Vouchered Spectators will be ONLY in the Tomahawk High School parking lot, directly adjacent to the football field.

For all JV/Varsity games, rest-room facilities available to all will be our outside entrance restroom facilities, located immediately adjacent to Door #18.. PLEASE observe “social distance” within the rest-rooms.

With the exception of teams, coaches and team staff/managers no one will be allowed to enter the designated team locker rooms. Entrance to designated locker rooms will be located down the hall just inside Door #17.

In addition, game workers, officials and vouchered spectators will not be allowed in ANY part of the Tomahawk Schools building other than the restrooms adjacent to Door #18.

Absolutely NO spectators who do not have a voucher to enter (from either team) will be allowed into the game. Any spectator who arrives and does not possess a voucher for the game will be asked to leave.

Protocol to be followed by Teams visiting the Tomahawk Schools:

Please plan to park team buses and/or vans ONLY in the Tomahawk High School parking lot. (Rear of building, near football field.)

ALL athletes, coaches and team staff/managers will enter the Tomahawk Schools using Door #17 (directly opposite of the new football field bleachers.)

There will be signage directing our visiting teams to their designated locker room as well as to their seating area on the field. ALL athletes from a visiting team will use the same designated locker room. Restroom facilities for our visiting teams will be those inside the assigned team locker rooms.

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Protocol to be followed by Vouchered Spectators visiting the Tomahawk Schools:

Teams will be allowed four tickets/vouchers per registered player and coach.

No admission will be charged.

“Voucher checkers” will be verifying valid vouchers before entry to the stadium will be granted. Please have your voucher readily available to show at the gate.

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Tickets/vouchers must be used by family members of the registered players/coaches.

Vouchered spectators for football games should plan to show up a maximum of 30 minutes before the start of their game, and will be asked to leave the stadium immediately upon completion of the game.

Family members may sit together at the game, though social distancing between families in the bleachers will be required.

Signage directing spectators to designated “home team” and “visiting team” sections will be provided.