



Falls City Public Schools

Fall COVID Protocol (FB, VB, SB, CC)

Our goal is to make this an enjoyable experience for our student-athletes and keep all of those entering the venue safe.

Football

- **Falls City Parent/Guardian can request for Alternate Transportation. Athletes can ride to and from any game with their parent/guardian. Request form is needed to be signed and returned to the Athletic Director, Head Coach or sponsor 1 day prior.**
- Falls City encourages mask wearing when social distancing cannot be maintained.
- We request that visiting teams take the temperatures of all athletes and coaches prior to leaving for Falls City.
- Locker Room will be available for Varsity teams and possibly JV teams. JH teams must come dressed.
- Unloading and loading of visiting teams will not change our original spot. (Between stadium and HS)
- Visiting teams will be required to bring their own hydration equipment.
- Visiting fans will enter the stadium and go north toward the concession stand and will walk on the track to the east side.
- Visiting fans are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and access the track on the east side of the stadium. Bleacher seating is limited.
- Visiting fans will have access to a porta potty and the handicap restroom on the east side of the concession stand.
- Visiting team will have access to the east window of the concession stand. Falls City will use the south window of the concession stand and use the restrooms under the stadium.
- Falls City fans are asked to access every other row of the stadium. Family members are asked to sit together.
- Pre-game and post-game handshake protocols are prohibited.
- Chain gang will be run from the Home sideline (west side).
- We ask that all fans exit the stadium after the game concludes and to limit gatherings.

Volleyball

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- Falls City encourages mask wearing when social distancing cannot be maintained.
- We request that visiting teams take the temperatures of all athletes and coaches prior to leaving for Falls City.
- Visiting team will be able to use the locker room.(No showering after the contest.)
No Locker rooms available for Triangulars and Tournaments (Due to lack of locker rooms space.) Teams must come dressed in those situations.
JH teams must come dressed as well.
- Falls City will sit on the west bench(left of the scores table, as you face it), the visiting team will sit on the east bench. **No switching of benches.**
Folding chairs will be used by both teams, so we can social distance team members.
- Bring your own volleyballs. Falls City will supply an empty cart for visitors.
- Visiting teams will be required to bring their own hydration equipment (Water bottle filler is available in cafeteria/commons area)
- Pre-match and post-match handshake protocols are prohibited
- Visiting fans will be sitting on the north side of the gymnasium, while accessing every other row.
- Falls City fans will be sitting on the south side of the gymnasium, while accessing every other row.
- Falls City student body will be asked to practice social distancing and sit in the upper bleachers(Wrestling room).
- No pep band
- No cheerleaders allowed at indoor events.
- No hospitality room for any Falls City hosted tournaments.
- Two separate tables will be used for concessions. West table for Falls City fans. East table for visiting fans.(Tables will be marked)
- *JH Volleyball games will be played at the High School to allow for better social distancing. (Except for: Sep. 22 & Oct. 1 as those will be played at the Middle School)*

Softball (City Field)

- **Falls City Parent/Guardian can request for Alternate Transportation. Athletes can ride to and from any game with their parent/guardian. Request form is needed to be signed and returned to the Athletic Director, Head Coach or sponsor 1 day prior.**
- Falls City encourages mask wearing when social distancing cannot be maintained.
- We request that visiting teams take the temperatures of all athletes and coaches prior to leaving for Falls City.
- City of Falls City waiver must be signed and emailed to the Falls City Activities Director prior to their game or handed to Don Hogue at the complex on arrival.
- Visiting teams fans should bring their own lawn chair. City bleachers are not available at the complex.
- Each team supplies their own hydration equipment.
- Pre-game and post-game handshake protocols are prohibited.
- DHM, "Players should have designated spots to place their personal items. Coaches should also designate an adult who is responsible for ensuring players are seated on the benches unless they are actively participating in the game." Per the NSAA guidance document, "coaches are responsible for ensuring social/physical distancing is maintained as much as possible."
- "2020 NSAA Fall Season Guidelines," "Contact with the game balls should be as limited as possible. During competition, foul balls should be retrieved by personnel from the defensive team. Simultaneously a new ball should be thrown into game play from the defensive team's dugout." For this reason, we will ask that the visiting team supply their own NFHS / NSAA certified game balls. Please mark the ball accordingly so both teams know whose ball it is. Additionally, it will be up to each team to see that balls retrieved while on defense are properly sanitized. Please feel free to sanitize your balls with whatever proven method you would like to use. For your convenience, disinfectant wipes will also be placed in the dugout to use to sanitize the balls. At any time, the umpire may ask to see the game ball to make sure that the ball in use is compliant with NFHS and NSAA rules.

Cross Country (Classic 8 Golf Course)

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- Falls City encourages mask wearing when social distancing cannot be maintained.
- We request that visiting teams take the temperatures of all athletes and coaches prior to leaving for Falls City.
- Teams won't be called to the start line until a couple minutes before the start of the race.
- Starting box of 6 feet between each team.
- No individual award ceremony. All medals, champion, & runner-up plaques will be handed to the head coach at the conclusion of the meet.
- No handshakes before or after the race.

Any of these protocols are subject to change.