



Return to Play: Fall Sports Competitions Get Set to Begin! BCPS Announces New Safety Protocols for Spectators

Starting the week of October 26, 2020, competitions for high school fall sports teams are permitted to begin as part of Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) and the Broward County Athletic Association's (BCAA) phased schedule for Return to Play.

Due to COVID-19, the following protocols are in place for spectators at BCPS athletic events.

- Student athletes and participants are permitted to have a limited number of pre-approved guests (spectators).
- Criteria and procedures allowing pre-approved guests to purchase tickets are established by each individual school. No tickets will be available for purchase at the athletic venues.
- Spectators with valid tickets will be allowed to park at the venue and will be expected to follow guidelines for entrance and seating.
- Admission to athletic events will generally stop mid-way through the event. For example, admission to football games will not be permitted after the start of the third quarter.
- Concession sales may be offered at some outdoor venues; however, items will be prepackaged for grab and go purchases. Schools offering concession sales will have a designated area where the items can be consumed – food/drinks are not permitted in the stands. No concessions will be available at indoor venues.
- Some athletic events will be held at non-District owned venues. Spectators must follow guidelines established by each individual facility.
- Event spectators must have proof of a ticket for the event and an appropriate face covering to enter.
- Spectators are asked to self-screen at home and not report to any venue while sick or exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms.
- All spectators will undergo a security check before redeeming tickets.
- Spectators are asked to follow and maintain physical distancing guidelines and avoid congregating in groups during athletic events.

For questions regarding individual school sports or venues, contact your child's coach or school administration. Additional information on Return to Play for high school fall sports is available at browardschools.com/athletics.

BCPS and the BCAA look forward to a great fall sports season!