

Minidoka County School District
Athletics & Activities
Covid-19 Protocols and Return to Play Plan & Guidelines

Guidelines for all Coaches and Participants/Athletes

- Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus form must be signed/agreed upon by all athletes and parents/guardians of athletes who wish to participate in athletics or activities during the 2020-2021 seasons.
- Hand Sanitizer and cleaning supplies are available at all contests and practices.
- Equipment wiped down as frequently as possible
- Coaches and Athletes are encouraged to wear masks and social distance.
- No shared water bottles, towels, or other personal equipment.
- Clean in between all practices and games.
- In an event that a student athlete, coach, or support staff is feeling ill it is recommended by Minidoka County School District that individual stay home and not return to play/coach until he/she is feeling well again.
- Coaches have access to thermometers if a participant/athlete is symptomatic. If participant/athlete is symptomatic they are to be sent home to recover or for further medical treatment by a medical professional.
- Any coach, student or supports staff who has had a positive Covid-19 test should be cleared by a doctor's note or release note from the local Health Department before they return to participate. Notes should be given to the Athletic Director or Athletic Trainer.

Guidelines for Events

- Coaches and other contest personnel are encouraged to social distance and wear facemasks during the events.
- Color System guidelines for fans (based on school coloring system):

Green: Normal

Yellow: Fans can attend all events with social distancing and facemasks encouraged. Attendance could be limited.

Red: Activities can resume: Limited fans or possibility of no fans: Social distancing and Face Masks Required.

Busing to and from Events

- All bus passengers will wear face masks and social distance in accordance with the busing system guidelines. Windows will be cracked to promote air-flow.
- Students will have the option to ride to and from event with parent/guardian as long as release waiver of bus transportation is signed and turned into office prior to game or event.

Illness Reporting

- If the organizers/medical personnel learn of suspected or confirmed cases of Covid-19 at the event, follow public health notification process for all event participants/athletes, coaches, event staff, media spectators and vendors.
- MCSD will Follow South Central Health District Guidelines.

Response

- Minidoka County School District will continue to monitor the Covid-19 pandemic and modify all plans and guidelines based on the IHSAA, NFHS and South Central Health District.

Football

- Bus drop off teams in the back of the school in the parking lot in-between the football stadium and the HS back entrance
- Teams will enter in the far gate near the visitor locker room by the outdoor entrance.
- Teams will be met by a Minico HS representative to let them in the locker room. At that time the Minico HS representative will give the opposing coach a key to the locker room so they will be in charge of locking the door when the team is ready to leave the locker room. When game is over please give the key back to the Minico HS representative.
- Water bottles and coolers will not be provided by Minico HS. We are asking that you please bring your own. We will walk you to the training room where our trainer will fill your coolers with ice and then you will be shown where you can fill them with water.
- Stadium will open to teams at 5:00 PM for a 7:00 PM game. Fans will not be permitted until the gates open at 6:00 PM.
- Fans: Minico HS recommends social distancing and facemasks but at this point we do not require them. We ask that at the end of the game fans please stay off the field and meet the team in the parking lot outside their locker room by the bus.
- Training Room: Our athletic trainer will be readily available to help in any way if you do not have a trainer present. Training room rules will be posted outside of the training.
- Please remember at the end of the game there will be no post game handshake between teams. Our PA announcer will thank the teams and fans then they can exit to the locker room. Visiting team will exit first while home team meets in the west end zone.
- We ask that all fans exit the stadium at the end of the game and wait for their team in the parking lot by their bus.

Volleyball

- Freshman game played in the Main gym (4:30 PM)

- JV and Varsity played in the Main gym (5:30/6:30 PM)
- Locker rooms provided
- Visiting team is responsible for their own water bottle and water cooler. You can fill up your coolers in our athletic training room.
- Fans allowed with social distancing and face masks encouraged.

-Fans will wait in the parking lot for the teams to come out.

Main Gym: Fans will sit in the top bleacher only. Coaches, Players, Game Management, Officials and Administration will be the only ones allowed on the court level.

-At the conclusion of the game the gym is to be cleared out and no one is allowed on the gym floor.

* All games will follow the volleyball rules and regulation that is put in by the IHSAA.

* No handshake at the end of the game. Follow protocol by IHSAA guidelines.

Soccer

- No locker rooms provided for visiting teams
- Teams will be responsible to bring their own water bottles and water coolers. Teams will be able to fill up their coolers at the practice football field.
- Fans will be allowed with social distancing and face masks encouraged.

-Fans will sit across the field from team benches.

- No pre or post game handshake between teams.
- At the conclusion of the game the soccer field is to be cleared and the fans are expected to wait for their team in the parking lot or by their team bus.

Swim

- Location: Rupert Swimming Pool
- No fans will be allowed at the Swim Meet hosted by the Mini-Cassia teams.
- Not water will be provided.
- Locker room for changing only and limited numbers.
- Social distancing and face masks encourage by coaches, athletes, swim personnel and administration.

Cross Country

- Location: Lake Walcott
- Girls start at 4:00 PM/Boys start after completion of girls meet
- Fans will be allowed with social distancing and face masks recommended.
- No water will be provided. Please bring your own water.
- Bathrooms will be open
- Please bring a sharpie marker to write down the # of your runner. To keep contact with other schools very limited.

Teams: Minico HS, Jerome HS, Burley HS, Wood River HS, Twin Falls HS, Canyon Ridge HS, Bonneville HS and Malad HS

Basketball

- Limited fans based on color of county. Possibility of no fans.
- Locker room provided for visitor and home team. Amount of personnel in locker room will be based on color the county is in.
- Face masks will be worn by home coaches, visiting coaches along with game personnel.
- On floor level only officials, coaches, players and game personnel will be allowed. All spectators if any at all will sit upstairs in the seating provided by Minico HS.
- If fans are limited each player and coach will get 2 fans per person that will be provided 24 hours before the game to Minico athletic director.
- Freshman game will be played in the multi gymnasium and JV and Varsity will be played in the main gym.
- Concession will be sold. Only packaged goods allowed.
- Balls will be sprayed down as much as possible through the game and as much as officials will allow.
- Water coolers will not be provided for visiting teams.

Wrestling

- Locker room will be provided for visiting teams with limited people at a time.
- Face masks will be required for all coaches and wrestling personnel along with athletes that are not competing
- Limited fans based on color the county is in. Possibility of no fans.
- Mats will be sprayed and wiped down after each match.
- Water coolers will not be provided for visiting teams
- All visiting teams must stay within their own groups while not wrestling.
- Minico HS will follow recommendations allowed by IHSAA.

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Protocol for Minico HS Home Athletic events

Football Protocol if in Red:

- Limited fans for both home and visiting teams. Each athlete will be allowed only 2 guests that must be on the pass list. This includes Cheerleaders and band members. Max people on home side is 300 spectators. Max people on visiting side is 150 spectators. Must have ID with them to show they are on the pass list.
- Face masks are required at all times while in the stadium.
- Social distancing required while in the bleachers and the stadium at all times.
- Visiting Locker room: There can only be 10 athletes in the locker room at a time. Social distancing is required for all use of locker rooms and face masks are required
- No water coolers will be provided for visiting team
- Concession is allowed with limited food that must be packaged when sold.
- All game personnel and workers must have mask on at all times.
- Coaches must wear masks on the sidelines during the game when social distancing is not possible.

Gymnasium Protocol if in Red: (Basketball, Wrestling, Volleyball)

- Limited Fans/Possibility of No Fans: Only players, coaches, administration and game personnel.
Game personnel: Ticket takers, score keepers, ball cleaners, ball chasers, stat keepers etc...
- Face masks required by all spectators, game personnel, administration, coaches and players not on the playing court.
- Limited Concession
- Locker room will be provided for visiting teams for changing only. Max of 5 people in locker room at a time.
- No water coolers will be provided for visiting team.

Soccer Protocol if in Red:

- Limited fans for both home and visiting teams. Each athlete will be allowed only 2 guests that must be on the pass list. ID required to verify you are on pass list.
- Face Masks and Social Distancing mandatory. If you refuse to wear face mask you will be asked to leave the soccer field.
- No locker room will be provided for visiting team.
- No water will be provided for visiting team.

Cross Country Protocol if in Red:

- Face Masks required at all times when not running
- Social Distancing Mandatory at all times
- Coaches must wear face masks at all times

Swimming Protocol if in Red:

- Face Masks required at all times when not swimming
- Social Distancing Mandatory at all times
- Coaches must wear face mask at all times

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