

Canutillo Middle School

Athletics COVID-19 Guidelines

Details in this document are taken from the Canutillo ISD Fall 2020 School Year Guidance Document as well as the UIL 2020-2021 UIL COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Guidelines.

Please Note: The details in this document are subject to change as directives are provided by governing authorities and/or health officials or as environmental conditions change.

Students and Coaches are expected to practice 6 feet social distancing and wear masks at all times before, during and after practice and competitions. Social distancing of at least 6 feet should be maintained when possible. No hugging, shaking hands, or fist bumps for support/encouragement.

Violations of safety rules will be subject to disciplinary action and/or removal from the team.

Face Coverings

1. Canutillo ISD requires masks to be worn at all times. Face Shields in addition to masks are optional. Face coverings include non-medical grade disposable face masks or cloth face coverings that cover both the nose and mouth.
2. Face covering must be worn when not actively practicing or playing in the contest.
3. All employees, parents, visitors and students 10 years of age or older must wear face coverings upon entry to an area where UIL activities are being conducted.
4. Social distancing of at least 6 feet is encouraged when possible.
5. Face coverings may be removed during the following times:
 - While actively competing.
 - While Cheerleaders are performing.
 - While consuming water.

Hand Washing

1. Hand washing will be emphasized before, during, and after team activities.
2. Hand Soap and sinks will be available for students to use one at a time.
3. Hand Sanitizer will be available throughout the Athletic Hallway and Gym areas.

Restrooms

1. One person allowed at a time in the restrooms and Locker Rooms.
2. Outdoor restrooms will be open for outdoor sports competitions.
3. Hand washing is required after use of the restroom.

Locker Rooms

1. Use of Locker Rooms will be very limited.
2. Individual lockers will **not** be allowed to be used. All athletes must keep their belongings in their backpacks.
3. Athletes who are doing F2F instruction will be able to use the locker rooms to suit out if needed. Coaches will monitor and allow 1-2 athletes at a time.
4. Students who suit in locker rooms will be provided with disinfectant spray to use after they change.
5. All Remote Learning Athletes should arrive to practice ready for practice and will not be allowed to enter the Locker Rooms.
6. Boys Locker Rooms will be closed during practice.
7. Locker Rooms will be closed to opposing teams during games.

Water

1. Water fountains will be closed throughout the campus.
2. Students are required to bring their own water bottles.
3. Sharing of water bottles is strictly prohibited.
4. Water refill stations will be available but only accessible by the coaches.

Cleaning and Sanitizing

1. Football Coaches will thoroughly disinfect shoulder pads and helmets after practice.
2. Coaches will thoroughly disinfect balls and practice equipment during and after practice.
3. Custodians will disinfect gym floors, locker rooms and frequently touched areas nightly.

Required Screening on Rank One Before Participating in Activities

Coaches will self-screen prior to each practice and competition using the CISD prescreen tool.

1. **Students must complete the Pre-Screen tool on Rank One every day before attending practice or competitions.**
2. Coaches will check on Rank One to confirm that the pre-screen tool was completed by each student.
3. If a student is coming from remote learning, student must stay in their vehicle during drop off until a coach confirms their Rank One pre-screen.
4. If an athlete is not cleared on the pre-screen tool, they will be asked to go home.
5. Students who are F2F will still fill out the pre-screen tool, they will enter their temperature after a coach measures it for them.

6. Parents must ensure they do not send a student to practice or competition if the student has COVID-19 symptoms or a temperature greater than or equal to 100.00 degrees.
7. School and District Protocol will be followed if an athlete does not pass the prescreening and/or tests positive for COVID-19.

Note: For screening and safety purposes, if an athlete is going to be late to practice for any reason, we ask that the athlete stay home or go home instead of arriving late to practice.

Scan the QR code to go to the pre-screen tool on Rank One

Morning Practice and Morning of Saturday Competition

1. Students must remain in their vehicle until a coach checks Rank One for their pre-screen, then they may exit their vehicle and enter the school.
2. If a student does not pass the prescreen, they will have to go home.
3. All people inside the vehicle should be wearing a mask or face covering.
4. Note: For screening and safety purposes, if an athlete is going to be late to practice for any reason, we ask that the athlete stay home or go home instead of arriving late to practice.

Late to Practice or Competition

For screening and safety purposes, if an athlete is going to be late for any reason, we ask that the athlete stay home or go home instead of arriving late.

Dismissal Procedures

1. A Coach from each sport will escort the car riders to the front of the school while another coach escorts the bus riders to the back of the school.
2. Students who ride the bus will wait in the gym or field until the buses are ready.
3. Students must practice social distancing while waiting to get picked up.
4. Parents must stay in their vehicles during pick up and drop off.
5. Practice end times will be staggered if necessary in order to minimize the number of students waiting to get picked up.
6. Note: Violations of bus riding rules and guidelines will be subject to disciplinary action and/or removal from the team.

Transportation To and From Competitions

1. Buses will provide transportation to away competitions.
2. Masks must be worn on the bus at all times.

3. Parents who wish to provide their own transportation home after the competition may do so after signing the Transportation Form with the front office.
4. Teams will not be going out to eat after competitions.

Spectators and Volunteers

1. Attendance of spectators is still to be determined at this time.
2. Possibility of live streaming home games is being discussed.
3. All sport practices will be closed to the public for safety reasons.
4. Volunteers are not allowed during this time.

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

1. Athletes who test positive, experience symptoms, and/or have had direct contact with any infected person will have to go under quarantine under CISD guidelines and will not be allowed to attend athletic activities until cleared by UIL and CISD guidelines.
2. Parents and athletes will be notified by Canutillo Middle School administration of any confirmed cases involving a specific sport.

Note: This is not an exhaustive list and there might be additional steps to help prevent the spread of the virus. Even when taking all precautions, there will still be risk of transmitting illnesses. Everyone should stay vigilant about the health of members of their teams. Lastly, the situation with Covid-19 is rapidly changing. These considerations may quickly become outdated. Please keep up with the latest health officials in your state.