



Fall Sports and Student Activities

According to the approved SDMA Reopening Plan, the school district recognizes that athletics and co-curricular activities are a vital part of the school experience for students. Activities will be evaluated by the school district in conjunction with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA), the Dunn County Health Department, the Big Rivers Conference, and any other relevant organizations to determine on an individual basis the amount of risk involved with the activity and the number of mitigation strategies available to reduce the potential harm. After considering input from a number of sources including students, coaches, the WIAA, and medical officials, the activities department is requesting that the Board allow for student participation in all sports and activities with mitigation measures to reduce the risks associated with COVID-19.

Thresholds

- Sports and activities will be allowed with participation thresholds that align with the SDMA Reopening Plan:
 - In-Person Learning (Full Enrollment)- Activities and interscholastic competitions would be allowed with mitigation measures in place.
 - Blended Learning (Reduced Enrollment)- Conditioning and approved skill development activities would be allowed locally with stricter mitigation measures in place to reduce risk. No interscholastic competitions would be allowed.
 - Safer At Home Learning (No In-Person Enrollment)- No activities would be allowed.
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Activity Guidelines

- Sports and activities would be provided in a manner that aligns with the guidelines of the WIAA or other sanctioned authority.
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Locker Rooms and Transportation

- The use of locker rooms and changing facilities will be limited with specific mitigation measures enforced.
 - Participants will be encouraged to be transported by the family, with school transportation provided as needed in conjunction with the transportation plan provided by Menomonie Transportation.
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Spectators, Admission, Concessions, and Restrooms

- Individual events would be evaluated to determine whether a limited number spectators may be allowed. If spectator attendance is allowed, it will likely be limited to two people per participant.
- Events will be live-streamed as much as possible.
- Attendance records will be maintained in the event that any contact tracing is needed.
- Admission will not be charged at fall events.



- Concessions will not be made available at fall events.
 - Restrooms will be made available as needed with a mitigation plan to cohort groups of spectators.
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Examples of Mitigation Measures for Higher Risk Sports

Boys Soccer

- Players will wear gaiters but will be able to take them down at times when there is no close contact and when athletes have reached exertion.
- Masks will be required for coaches and non-players. They may remove them if 6 feet is attainable but should always be readily available for use.
- Both sidelines will be used during competitions.
- Social Distancing
 - Coaches will work to maintain 6 feet as much as possible.
 - Close contact drills will be limited to 10 min.
 - Utilize position groups as much as possible similar to summer activities.

Cheerleading

- Masks will be mandatory for players indoors and when stunting is being performed outdoors.
- Masks will be required for coaches and non-players.
- Social Distancing
 - Coaches will work to maintain 6 feet as much as possible.
 - Close contact drills will be limited to 10 min.
 - Utilize position groups as much as possible similar to summer activities.

Football

- Cloth face coverings will be recommended for players. Gaiters are not an option due to safety concerns.
- Masks will be required for coaches and non-players. They may remove them if 6 feet is attainable but should always be readily available for use.
- Cohorting
 - Position groups will be utilized as much as possible.
- Protective Equipment
 - Players will wear splash guards that attach to the helmets.
 - Extra mouth guards will be available.
 - Helmets and Shoulder Pads will be disinfected after practices/games.
- Social Distancing
 - Coaches will work to maintain 6 feet as much as possible.
 - Close contact drills will be limited to 10 minutes.
 - Lineman will work with bags instead of other players as much as possible to limit close contact.