

# STEWART COUNTY ATHLETICS

Please note the following safety guidelines for The STEW Athletic Events:

## **SECURITY SCREENING:**

- Gates / Doors will open thirty minutes before the event.
- All persons will be screened using either walkthrough magnetometers or hand wand metal detectors.
- All items entering the gates / doors will be subject to inspection.

## **ZERO-TOLERANCE POLICY:**

- Stewart County Schools and Stewart County Sheriff's Office has a zero-tolerance policy for weapons, fighting, disorderly conduct, instigating, gang-related activity, illegal drugs, alcohol, vaping, and tobacco products. This includes the smell of marijuana on a person's clothing. None of the aforementioned are permitted on campus.

## **ENTRY & EXIT:**

- Re-entry is not permitted. Those who have left an athletic event are required to purchase a new ticket to re-enter the event.
- No one will be allowed into the games after the third quarter ends.

## **CLEAR BAG POLICY:**

- In efforts to expedite entry and provide a safe environment for all student-athletes, staff, fans, and officials, Stewart County Schools has implemented a clear bag policy for all sporting events. Concealed backpacks, purses, and diaper bags are not permitted.

## **SAFETY PROTOCOLS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- No outside food and drink are allowed. We do offer concessions.
- Ski mask, balaclava, neck gaiters, and bandanas of any kind are not acceptable.
- Loitering is not allowed. Locations of emphasis where "hanging out" is not permitted are, but not limited to the following:
  - Underneath the stadium, on the fence or in lobby areas,
  - Near restrooms, concessions, or entry ways areas
- Persons lingering will be asked once to return to their seats. If any person is non-compliant, they will be removed from the venue without reimbursement.

- Before, during, and after the event, spectators are not allowed on any playing surfaces or competition areas.
- Students should follow the dress code stated in the Stewart County School District Student Handbook. The District reserves the right to remove students found to be in violation of the Student Dress.
- As a safety precaution, “Sagging” of pants is not permitted.
- Refunds will not be issued to anyone who has been denied admission, asked to leave, or has been removed from an event.
- All spectators must exit the event as soon as the game is over.
- For any student behavior at the event that requires disciplinary action, the Stewart County Student Code of Conduct will be used to determine the appropriate discipline.
- Inappropriate and unruly behavior at any SCSD event may result in removal from the event and a ban from attending all other SCSD events for the 2023-2024 school year.

Every student, employee, parent, and citizen plays a critical role in school safety. If you see something, say something. We thank you in advance for your continued support so we can provide a safe and enjoyable experience while cheering on our scholar athletes

**Stewart County Schools and the Stewart County Sheriff's Office reserves the right to deny entry to any individuals not complying with these procedures at any event.**