

Westhope/Newburg Sioux Winter and Spring Sports/Events Attendance Protocols

The Westhope/Newburg Public Schools are striving to do their very best to keep athletes, students, parents and fans safe during this current pandemic. To ensure this happens, protocols based on the counties risk level color have been set. These protocols are based on the recommendations from the North Dakota High School Activities Association (NDHSAA). At this time, the attendance guidelines are in respect to the state and/or county being in the Orange/High Risk Level. The other risk levels will be updated once the NDHSAA has them set. These protocols are as follows:

Red Risk Level

There will be no athletic activities/events in either the Westhope or Newburg United's gym.

Orange Risk Level

Westhope Gym

- Attendance is capped at 25% of fired code capacity or a maximum of 150 people in the gymnasium.
- Ticket vouchers will be distributed 75% to home fans and 25% to visitor fans.
- There will be no concessions.
- The local School Board may approve more restrictive attendance requirements for regular season contests.
- Visiting fans are asked to please sit on the west bleachers. Home fans are asked to please sit on the east bleachers.
- Masks and social distancing by family groups will be required at all times to attend activities and events.

Newburg Gym

- Attendance is capped at 50 people in the gymnasium.
- Westhope/Newburg participants will be given two tickets. The remaining tickets will be given to the visiting team. A maximum of 50 people will be able to attend.
- There will be no concessions.
- The local School Board may approve more restrictive attendance requirements for regular season contests
- All fans are asked to sit in the east bleachers.
- Masks and social distancing by family groups will be required at all times to attend activities and events.

Yellow Risk Level

Westhope Gym

- Attendance is capped at 50% of fired code capacity or a maximum of 320 people in the gymnasium
- No vouchers will need to be distributed for home or visiting fans. A person will be at the door keeping count of individuals entering the building. Once the maximum of 320 is reached, fans will no longer be allowed to enter.
- Concessions will consist of pop, water, candy and possibly some prepackaged items.
- The local School Board may approve more restrictive attendance requirements for regular season contests.
- Visiting fans are asked to please sit on the west bleachers. Home fans are asked to please sit on the east bleachers.
- Masks and social distancing by family groups will be required at all times to attend activities and events.

Newburg Gym

- Attendance is capped at 100 people in the gymnasium.
- No vouchers will need to be distributed for home or visiting fans. A person will be at the door keeping count of individuals entering the building. Once the maximum of 100 is reached, fans will no longer be allowed to enter.
- There will be no concessions at this time. This will be reevaluated for the Jr. High Boys Basketball and Girls Pee Wee seasons.
- The local School Board may approve more restrictive attendance requirements for regular season contests
- Visiting fans are asked to please sit on the west bleachers. Home fans are asked to please sit on the east bleachers.
- Masks and social distancing by family groups will be required at all times to attend activities and events.

The attendance numbers do not include the players, coaches, officials or table workers. Again, the attendance policy for the others risk levels will be added once a recommendation comes from the NDHSAA.

The Westhope and Newburg United School Districts would like to thank everyone for their understanding and patience as we work through this pandemic to give our students the opportunities to participate in extra curricular and co-curricular activities.

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