

Calhoun City Schools Football Guidelines

Due to the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic, athletic events and the fan experience will be different for the 2020-2021 school year. All Calhoun City Schools departments, including Athletics, will continue to follow guidance by state and local healthcare providers and governing bodies. We are committed to doing everything possible to provide a safe, competitive athletic experience for our student-athletes and a modified viewing opportunity for parents, families, and supporters. Please view the information below regarding a return to sports for Calhoun City Schools.

Football Admissions

Entering a football game in the fall will look different than it has in the past. Social distancing protocols will be observed from the time a fan enters the facility until the time they leave. Fans are encouraged to wear masks during their time on campus when they are not able to social distance, especially as they travel to and from their stadium seat. No paper tickets will be sold at the gate and all admissions will follow the following protocols for varsity games only. JV, Freshmen, and Middle School games will continue to sell paper tickets at the gate.

For home high school football games, crowd capacity will be limited to approximately 50% of normal capacity. Season passes that guarantee admission to all regular season home varsity football games will be made available before the season for specific groups of people. Individuals who purchase a season pass will simply show their pass at the gate before all regular season home games and will not have to purchase individual game tickets each week. Individuals who meet the criteria listed below will be contacted by school personnel to provide options and details of how to obtain your pass.

Parents of 9-12 grade football players, band members, and cheerleaders will have the opportunity to watch their children compete and participate. Each student participating in these groups will have the opportunity to purchase 2 season passes for their family. Once these passes are purchased, parents/family members may use these passes to enter all regular season home games. Only 2 season passes per child will be available prior to the season.

Individuals who purchased reserved seating during the 2019 season will also have the opportunity to purchase season passes for the 2020 season. These individuals will have the option to purchase the same number of season passes as reserved seats they held during the 2019 season. We cannot guarantee that reserved seating members will be able to sit in their same seat or area during the 2020 season but we are committed to providing an in-person viewing opportunity for these individuals. For reserved seating members, the specific seats purchased during the 2019 season will be made available for the 2021 season even if those individuals do not purchase season passes during the 2020 season.

Additionally, current Calhoun TD Club members will have the opportunity to purchase season passes before general admission ticketing is made available. We value the loyal support of reserved seating and Calhoun TD Club members and want to ensure they have an opportunity to attend home football games this fall.

Lastly, CHS 12th grade students who do not participate in football, band, or cheer will be able to purchase 1 season pass prior to the first home game. These passes will be available at a discounted rate and only CHS 12th grade students will be permitted to enter regular season home games by using this pass.

Reserved seating pass holders will be contacted by Joyce Bushong and will purchase passes at the central office. Parents and 12th grade students will be contacted by Brock Holley and purchase passes at the high school via students (parents will not be allowed to enter the building). TD Club members will be contacted by Coach Stephenson and purchase passes through him. Each season pass holder will receive a plastic card with their name that they will show at the gates on game days. Cash or check will be the only payment options accepted for season passes. Once payment and registration is complete, we will work with Greta Hughes and our graphic design department to create the season passes that will be distributed by the same person who contacted you about purchasing. Season passes for parents, reserved seating members, and TD Club members will cost \$45 per pass. Season passes for Calhoun High School students will cost \$35.

Visiting teams will also have the opportunity to purchase tickets before general admission seating is made available. We will allot 500 seats or roughly 25% of our total capacity to the visiting team for purchase on Monday and Tuesday of game weeks. If a visiting team does not sell up to their 500 ticket allotment, those additional tickets may be made available for general admission purchases.

General admission tickets may be made available via GoFan on game weeks depending on the number of pre-sale season passes that are sold. There is no guarantee general admission tickets will be available. Information about general admission seating will be released after pre-sale season passes are purchased.

GHSA pass holders will be admitted and directed to an assigned standing room section along the fence around the field.

Seating

Fans and patrons at all Calhoun Athletic events will be expected to practice social distancing at all times. Every other stadium row will be left empty and marked with tape and a sign stating "this row should be left empty". On available seating rows, immediate family members may sit together. Non-family members should leave 6 feet in between themselves and the nearest non-family member.

Concessions

Modified concession items will be made available for fans during home competitions. Only pre-packaged food and drinks will be sold to limit contact between concession workers and fans.

Gatherings

All mass gatherings of fans will be prohibited at any time at a Calhoun Athletic event. At the conclusion of the event, all spectators should leave the stadium and not enter the field of play.