## Hello Parents of the 2021 Hawks Hype Team!

Please see below for the plans for the Hawks Hype Team Flight scheduled for **Friday**, **August 27**. This week we'll be celebrating **Senior Night for Hays Hawks Football**, **Cheer and Highsteppers!** 

First off, let's talk COVID. We are very aware that the Hawks Hype Team participants are largely too young to be vaccinated, so we are encouraging students to wear masks when grouped closely together in the waiting area. Additionally, we are asking that parents not drop off kids early creating an extended waiting time. Please make whatever the appropriate decisions are for your family and your students when considering participation, masking and the drop-off times below. Thank you!

- **SHIRTS:** The new Hype shirts will be available for pick-up at the drop-off / waiting location. All of the Hype members are encouraged to wear the Hype shirts **for each game**, so for this first game they can put the new shirt on over whatever they're wearing. Be sure to wear cool, comfy clothes and shoes for running!
- **Game Tickets Required:** Both Hawks Hype Team members <u>and</u> their Parents must purchase tickets to enter the stadium. Tickets can be purchased online (<u>https://www.hayscisd.net/boxoffice</u>).
- ARRIVAL TIME: Starting at 7 pm, we will gather the Hype kids in the fenced-in area by the visiting field house at the southeast end of the stadium. Please have your student there no later than 7:15 pm. At around 7:25 pm, the varsity football team will run onto the field followed by the Hawks Hype Team. The waiting during the senior introductions can be a little hard for some of these young students, so please chat with your kids in advance about being patient and following the instructions of our adult volunteers.
- Pick-Up: You will pick up your student on the north end of the stadium, just outside of the track area.
  Please be at the north end and ready to receive your Hype immediately following their run across the field. To get to that side of the stadium, walk <u>underneath</u> the bleachers.

This is such a fun tradition and everyone loves seeing our Mini-Hawks out on the field! When dropping off your kids, please be prepared to observe a good bit of controlled chaos from all of these VERY EXCITED youngsters. We will have adult and student volunteers who will be coordinating logistics, but if you'd like to stay with your Hype kiddo in the waiting area before they line up on the track, that's absolutely fine. Please note that no parents/adults will be allowed on the field or track. And if you stay until time for the Hype to run, you may need to make arrangements to have another adult at the pick-up zone or you'll need to really hoof it to the other end of the stadium!

If anything changes prior to game time due to weather or other factors, we will post updates on Facebook and Instagram. Please follow the **Hays Athletic Booster Club** on those social media platforms. We may not be able to send an email since often the last minute changes occur when we're already at the stadium.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for allowing your Young Hawks to participate in the 2021 Hawks Hype Team!! Hawks take flight!

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