



North East ISD Athletic Department

VIRGIL T. BLOSSOM ATHLETIC CENTER

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For your convenience, contact the individuals above to assist you with your visit to athletic venues. The items below do not represent all the policies at our venues; however, they relate to the most frequently asked questions.



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STADIUM & FIELD POLICIES

NEISD Athletic Department Staff

- At all NEISD athletic venues there will be an administrator on duty for all sports.
- Clear bag policy is in effect for all NEISD athletic venues. See the athletic website for additional information or clarification, [Clear Bag Policy](#).
- All persons entering our venues may be subjected to security wand and/or metal detectors by a trained person to help ensure that no weapons of any kind are brought into an event.
- The administrator on duty is authorized to make decisions as needed for the safety for all involved in the contest and for the smooth operation of the event.
- Stadium security will be called upon by the administrator on duty as needed. Stadium security will act, as needed, when any law is broken by any spectator or individual in attendance at the event.

Tickets

- No refunds or exchanges; no re-entry; tickets are only accepted for the game played on that date.
- Varsity tickets may be purchased online and in advance by going using the Hometown App or going to the [HOMETOWN](#) link
- **Varsity Football** ticket prices:

Student General Admission	\$4.00
Adult General Admission	\$8.00
Reserved Ticket	\$10.00
- **All other** sporting events:

Student General Admission	\$3.00
Adult General Admission	\$5.00



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SEATING

- Home team fans sit on the press box side of either stadium. Entry gates will be open one hour prior to game time for spectators. Crossing over is not allowed.
- Visitors will sit opposite of the press box. Crossing over is not allowed.
- Spectators must sit in the stands and keep off the rails. Aisles must be kept clear.

STADIUM RULES

- Parking - Heroes
 - Home team fan parking is located on the west side of the stadium
 - Visiting team fan parking is located on the east side of the stadium
 - Team, Band, Spirit bus parking is in the designated parking areas behind their respective bleachers.
- Parking - Comalander
 - Home team fan parking is located behind the press box side of the stadium
 - Visiting team fan parking is located in the Littleton Gymnasium parking lot
 - Davis/Walker Pool parking lot will not be available for football parking.
 - Team, Band, Spirit bus parking is in the designated parking areas behind their respective bleachers.
- Gates open one hour prior to game time.
- Clear bag policy is in effect for all NEISD stadiums. [Clear Bag Policy](#)
- All persons entering our venues may be subjected to security wanding and/or metal detectors by a trained person to help ensure that no weapons of any kind are brought into an event.
- Any Student Code of Conduct violations by NEISD students will be reported to campus administration for disciplinary action.
- Objects may not be thrown from the bleachers toward the field.
- Artificial noise makers are not allowed during pre-season play at either stadium. Artificial noise makers that have been approved for district competition are cowbells, inflatable thunder sticks and clappers that are sold through school booster clubs.
- Teams may have recorded music for pregame warm up. The volume and direction of the speaker is under the control of stadium management.



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STADIUM RULES Cont'd

- Any flag, spirit sign, fat head, foam hand, etc. in the bleachers may not be larger than 12 X 18 inches.
- Only uniformed personnel and their sponsors are allowed on the field or in the field house unless approved by the event administrator.
- Spectators may not bring food or drink into the stadium, including water containers, jugs, cups.
- Service dogs will be allowed in the stadium with proper identification (service dog vest or tag.)
- Only emergency vehicles may be parked inside the stadium.
- U.I.L. policy prohibits anyone from videotaping a game if your team is not participating or for commercial purposes.
- Handicap seating areas are designated and are only for those individuals who have special needs.
- The following items are not permitted in the stadium/NEISD property unless authorized by stadium management.
 - Alcoholic beverages
 - Controlled Substances
 - Tobacco / E-Cigarettes
 - Weapons
 - Balls of any type
 - Distribution of Literature
 - Outside Food or Drink
 - Backpacks / Bags
 - Signs
 - Animals
 - Noisemakers (only by district policy)
 - Balloons
 - Skateboards
 - Frisbees
 - Whistles
 - Bubbles



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PARENT SPIRIT LINES, INFLATABLE RUNTHROUGHS

- Parent Spirit Lines at Comalander Stadium and Heroes Stadium
 - Line up during the playing of the school songs.
 - Must return to seats after teams leave their breakthroughs.
 - Halftime line up begins with 2 minutes left in halftime.
 - Must return to seats after teams leave their breakthroughs.
- **Spirit Lines are not opportunities to speak to players or coaches and this privilege can be revoked if disruptions occur.**
- Inflatable runthrougs will be placed behind the endline of the endzones

PRESS PASSES

- All passes for the working press will be handled at the pass gate at the home ticket booth of the stadium. Media must submit a media credential form on the athletic website prior to gametime.

RULES FOR PERFORMING GROUPS FOR FOOTBALL *Please see Gate Procedures handout sent with email.*

- Home team bands and cheer groups sit in section AB (please refer to stadium diagrams)
- Visiting team bands and cheer groups sit in section JI (please refer to stadium diagrams)
- Performing groups may enter the stadium two hours before game time
- Only designated students in a school mascot uniform are allowed on the sidelines
- All Fine Arts chaperones (band, cheer, spirit) must follow the clear bag policy. No exceptions unless cleared with the athletic director in advance.
- No vehicle of any kind will be allowed to drive on the stadium surface
- Heavy equipment is prohibited on the field
- No exceptions to the pre-game time schedule (unless cleared with AD prior to game)
- Bands and drill teams must stay out of the team area during the game.
- No section or area in the stands may be roped off at any time without prior approval.
- Animals including mascots are not allowed in the stadium.



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RULES FOR PERFORMING GROUPS FOR FOOTBALL cont'd

- T-Shirt Cannon Launcher – Per Comalander and Heroes Stadium regulations:
 - Administrators on stadium duty must be notified by the campus administration of their plans to use the launcher.
 - Must be a cheerleader/mascot/or school district employee only. Mascots **must** remove head costume and gloves or encumbered hands before operating the launcher.
 - Must be 12-15 feet from the railing of the stadium before launching the cannon.
 - The launcher **must** never be pointed directly at any fan; it **must** be pointed skyward.
 - **Must** have an administrator and/or sponsor within close proximity of the cannon (one arm's length)
 - Usage is limited to pre-game, between quarters, time outs, and at half-time.
 - Failure to abide by these regulations set forth by Blossom Athletic Center will forfeit the use of the launcher at future games.

SIDELINE SECURITY MEASURES

- Spectators will remain on the side of the stadium provided for their team. At the football stadium, no crossing to the other side will be allowed before or during the game except for emergencies. Exception: Band parents at half-time
- Only essential personnel will be allowed on sidelines – including team, administrators and spirit groups.
- All volunteer workers must have identifying badges and are to stay in grandstands until their involvement on the field. Please see Gate Procedures attachment from email.
- Additional access to the sideline/track will be by NEISD staff approval only and will require a badge that can be obtained at the Pass Gate.

BOOSTER CLUB BOOTHS

- Booths are open to the athletic club boosters only. Booths must be stocked and open before the entrance gates are open. Each side of the stadium will be allocated 10 tables for use during the games. All other tables needed will need to be provided by the booster clubs. Spirit items only may be sold.
- All persons working in concessions or booster club booths must enter through the pass gates. Clear bags for all workers will be enforced.
- Additional requests from any booster club must go through the athletic director in charge of facilities.



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MEZZANINE

The center section of the area will be made available to parents who wish to film the football game or halftime activities. Following are procedures for entrance to this area:

- One camera per person only.
- Spaces are on a first come basis and when all spaces are filled, the area will be closed.
- Students are not allowed in this area.

LEAVING THE STADIUM

- Anyone leaving the stadium will be required to purchase another ticket to re-enter.
- In the event of an emergency, spectators will be allowed to leave and return through the pass gate located at the north end of the stadium next to the ticket booth.

TEAM STADIUM PROCEDURES

Comalander Stadium

- Team buses will park on the stadium side of the service road near the locker room on the south end of the stadium.
- Teams will enter at the team gate at the south end of the stadium.
- Teams will use the south (side) door to enter the locker room.
- The *Home Team* will warm up on the **south** end of the field.
- The *Visiting Team* will warm up on the **north** end of the field.
- Teams will exit the stadium through the south team gate they entered through.
- Only coaches' families will be allowed to the locker room area at the conclusion of the game.



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TEAM STADIUM PROCEDURES cont'd

Heroes Stadium

- Teams will enter at the north end of the stadium and descend down the ramp to the locker rooms.
- Team buses will park on the stadium side curb in designated parking areas on the south end of the stadium.
- The *Home Team* will warm up on the **north** end of the field.
- The *Visiting Team* will warm up on the **south** end of the field.
- Teams will exit through the furthest south gate behind the scoreboard at the conclusion of the game.
- Only coaches' families will be allowed to descend the south ramp to the field at the conclusion of the game.

BANDS, SPIRIT & ROTC STADIUM PROCEDURES

Heroes Stadium

- Will park their buses at the Band & Fine Arts Gate behind the team buses and unload equipment and students.
- Members will proceed to the open concrete area on their respective scoreboard at the end of the stadium. This area will be used to form up groups as needed.
- Entry to the bleachers will be in the first stairwell on the concourse.
- Halftime preparation will be on the concrete pad.
 - Large band equipment will have been moved to the stadium floor and stored next to the retaining wall prior to the half.
 - All preparation for halftime activities must take place on the concrete pad at the end of the bleachers.
 - Bands will move as needed to their respective areas in preparation for the halftime performance.



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BANDS, SPIRIT & ROTC STADIUM PROCEDURES cont'd

Comalander Stadium

- Will park their buses at the Band & Fine Arts Gate behind the team buses and unload equipment and students.
- Members will proceed to the concrete area on the south end of the bleachers. This area will be used to form up groups as needed.
- Entry to the bleacher will be in the first stairwell at the south end of the stadium.
- Halftime preparation will be on the walking track area on the south side of the stadium.
 - Large band equipment will have been moved to the south side of the stadium and stored near the chain link fence.
 - All preparation for halftime activities must take place on the concrete pad at the end of the bleachers.
 - Bands will move as needed to their respective areas in preparation for the halftime performance.



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