



# Starpoint Central School District

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## **Starpoint Athletics: COVID-19 Guidelines - Winter Season 2021-2022**

When you are attending events at our facilities this winter season, we are asking you to adhere to the following guidelines:

### **Team & Staff Guidelines:**

- Masks or face coverings will be required to be worn at all times by coaches, athletes, officials, and gameday personnel while in the gymnasiums, the locker rooms, the pool area (on the pool deck, in the stands, etc.), in the athletic training rooms, and in the rest rooms.
- Teams should arrive no more than 45 minutes prior to the start of their contest.
- Visiting team coaches must remain with their teams throughout the contest. Varsity and JV coaches please be sure you are supervising your athletes when your game is not being played. Visiting players and coaches are not to wander the halls of Starpoint High School or Starpoint Middle School.
- Locker rooms will be available for visiting teams to use during halftime only. Please arrive at Starpoint dressed and ready to play.
- Officials may use designated locker room areas to change. Masks or face coverings must be worn at all times when in these areas.
- ALL athletes, coaches and officials must bring their own water bottles. There are water bottle filling stations located outside of each gymnasium. Starpoint will not be providing water coolers or water bottles.
- The Starpoint Athletic Trainer will be available to visiting athletes. Masks must be worn at all times while in the training room.
- Before, during and after the contest, players, coaches/game officials, team personnel and game administration officials should wash and sanitize their hands as often as possible.
- Each player and coach will have their own chair to sit on properly distanced on the sideline during basketball games and wrestling matches. Players/coaches are expected to stay in that seat for the duration of the contest.
- Only necessary personnel will be allowed on the bench and at the scorer's tables for basketball games and wrestling matches. The basketball scorer's table will only seat the game clock operators, the official scorekeeper(s), and the announcer. For wrestling, only the clock operator, announcer and official scorekeeper(s) will be allowed at the table.
- Concessions will be available for certain contests at Starpoint High School. All food must be consumed outside of the gymnasium.
- Basketballs will be available for visiting teams to use during warm-ups.

### **Spectator Guidelines:**

- Spectators shall arrive no sooner than 15 minutes prior to the start of the scheduled contest.
- Face coverings or masks are required to be worn at all times for spectators or anyone entering

Starpoint High School and Starpoint Middle School.

- Both the home side and the visitor's side of the bleachers will be available for spectators so please make sure you maintain proper social distancing.
- Individuals shall practice social distancing to the extent possible.
- All spectators must leave the facility immediately following the conclusion of their contest. Please do not congregate near the doors where players exit the gymnasium. The main lobby will close 15 minutes following the completion of the last contest of the evening. Please wait for your athlete outside or in your car.
- Bathrooms are available for spectators when attending a sporting event.
- Concessions will be available for certain contests. All food must be consumed outside of the gymnasium.
- Masks or face coverings are required to be worn at all times for spectators at all hockey games and bowling matches regardless of what county the venue is located in. Since ice hockey and bowling are contested at private venues, the prevailing parameters of each venue will be followed regarding spectator policies and COVID protocols. Please keep in mind that we do not have the authority to override the protocols of private facilities, we are guests and because of that, those standards will apply.

***Please see the following procedures for entering Starpoint High School and Starpoint Middle School for athletic contests:***

#### **Starpoint High School**

- Enter Driveway D
- Officials and visiting teams will enter the building at the Fine Arts/Athletics Entrance where you will be greeted by a member of the athletic staff and escorted to your waiting area.
- Spectators will enter the building at the Fine Arts/Athletics Entrance.

#### **Starpoint Middle School**

- Enter Driveway B
- Officials and visiting teams will enter the building at entrance D-3 (near the flagpole) where you will be greeted by a member of the athletic staff and escorted to your waiting area.
- Spectators will enter the building at entrance D-3 (near the flagpole)

#### **Live Streaming Information:**

All home Varsity/JV Boys/Girls Basketball games and home Varsity Wrestling matches held in the High School gym will be live streamed.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkooTRRzrvOES4\\_8uAPAagg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkooTRRzrvOES4_8uAPAagg)

**These guidelines are specific to Starpoint Central School District and are subject to change. Other school districts and venues reserve the right to create their own guidelines for their facilities. Starpoint Athletics will communicate away venue guidelines to the best of our ability.**

We thank you for your cooperation. For more information, please contact our athletic department at (716) 210-2307.