



August 24, 2016

Dear Parents,

Last year was a great year for the Fighting Dickinson Gators, and the new stadium rules created a more enjoyable and safe experience for all spectators. We thank you for your support last year, and we look forward to another exciting year. This letter is a reminder to parents and students about stadium expectations. All children and students below 9th grade **must** be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian, or they will not be admitted into the event. In addition, all students not in high school (Pre K – 8) must be supervised by the parent/adult guardian during the entire game. Student tickets will only admit high school students (Grades 9-12). These rules will be posted in the stadium and on the district website.

Included with this letter is a copy of the Sam Vitanza Stadium Student/Spectator Safety Rules. Please review them with your student prior to attending varsity football games. You may contact Eric Anderson, Assistant Athletic Director, at (281) 229-6509 or Robert Cobb, Assistant Superintendent for Administration, at (281) 229-6102 if you need clarification regarding these rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vicki Mims".

Vicki Mims, Superintendent of Schools

Sam Vitanza Stadium

Student/Spectator Safety Rules

During attendance at our athletic events, spectator safety is the district's primary concern. To promote the safety and well-being of all stadium guests, Dickinson ISD has established the following rules and procedures for all stadium activities. These policies were approved by the Board of Trustees and will be enforced at all times to keep our fans safe and our students well supervised.

- * Students (Pre Kinder through 8th grade) must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian, or they will not be admitted into the stadium.
- * Parents or adult guardians are responsible for PK – 8th grade students' behavior and are responsible for their supervision during the event.
- * No loitering is permitted. All students/spectators must sit in the stands and keep off the rails. Aisles should be kept clear at all times.
- * For your safety and the safety of others, there is no running in the stands.
- * High school students will remain in the designated student section.
- * Students/spectators who throw food, drink, or other items will be escorted from the stadium, will not be allowed re-admittance, and may be banned from the stadium for the remainder of the school year.
- * Students/Spectators who refuse to comply with stadium officials' directions may be removed from the stadium.
- * Students/spectators who leave the stadium are not allowed to return to the event (unless they purchase another ticket) and must leave the high school grounds.
- * Balls, bags, backpacks, noisemakers, baby strollers, coolers, drinks, food, etc.-shall not be brought into the stadium.
- * No one will be allowed on the field or track during or after games unless authorized by the Stadium Manager.
- * The Student Handbook and Code of Conduct will be in effect for all DISD students attending stadium events. This means students may face additional disciplinary consequences at school.
- * State laws and school district policies will be in effect concerning alcoholic beverages, controlled substances, and tobacco.
- * Students/spectators who violate these policies will be escorted from the stadium, will not be allowed re-admittance, and may be banned from the stadium for the remainder of the school year.