



Manor Independent School District 2020-2021

Return to Fall Athletics and Extra- Curricular Activities General Operational Guidelines, Rules, and Safety Procedures

Required Screening

1. MISD will require staff to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms before participating in UIL and extra-curricular activities or entering areas where activities are being conducted. Symptoms are listed at the end of this document. The self-screening should include staff taking their own temperature.

Staff must report to their supervisor if they have COVID-19 symptoms or are lab-confirmed with COVID-19, and, if so, they must remain off campus and away from areas where UIL activities are being conducted until they meet the criteria for re-entry as noted below.

Additionally, staff must report to their supervisor if they have had close contact with an individual who is lab-confirmed with COVID-19, as defined at the end of this document, and, if so, must remain off campus and away from areas where UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted until the 14-day incubation period has passed. Close contact is defined in this document below.

2. Parents must ensure they do not send a student to participate in UIL and extra-curricular activities if the student has COVID-19 symptoms (as listed in this document) or is lab-confirmed with COVID-19 until the below conditions for reentry are met.

MISD will screen students for COVID-19 as well. Screening is accomplished by asking questions via electronic methods and/or in person. The screening questions will be asked of the student's parent if that parent will be dropping off or picking up their student from inside areas where activities are being conducted.

3. Before visitors are allowed access to areas where UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted, MISD will screen all visitors to determine if they have COVID-19 symptoms (as listed in this document) or are lab-confirmed with COVID-19, and if so, they must remain off campus and away from areas where UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted until they meet the criteria for re-entry as noted below.

MISD will also screen to determine if visitors have had close contact with an individual who is lab-confirmed with COVID-19, and if so they must remain off campus and away from areas where

UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted until the 14-day incubation period has passed. When practical, screening questions could be supplemented with temperature checks of adults.

4. MISD will not allow any individual who fails the screening criteria from being admitted into school facilities or sites where UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted until they meet the criteria for re-entry as described below. Any individual for whom screening cannot be confirmed should be presumed symptomatic until confirmed otherwise.

Locker Rooms and Other Congregate Settings

1. MISD will make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap, and water, or similar disinfectant readily available in these areas.
2. All congregate areas will be regularly and frequently cleaned and disinfected including all frequently touched surfaces such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, lockers, and restrooms.
3. Any equipment that will be kept in student lockers and/or in these areas will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected each day prior to students accessing these areas. MISD has developed a plan for managing the storage, cleaning and disinfecting, and redistribution of student equipment.
4. MISD will have staff assigned to monitor locker rooms and other areas where students may congregate to ensure the effective use of school protocols. When possible, schools should open windows and/or doors or otherwise work to improve airflow by allowing outside air to circulate in these areas.
5. MISD requires staff and students to wear face coverings while inside locker rooms, meeting rooms, training rooms, band halls, and other areas where students may congregate other than shower facilities.
6. MISD plans include mitigating the risk of spreading COVID-19 when disinfecting, cleaning, and laundering items such as towels, practice clothes, and uniforms. This plan includes protocols for redistributing these items to students. Involved staff is trained specifically on these protocols.

Practice Activities

In addition to the above general guidelines and rules in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules and UIL manuals and handbooks, the following applies to practice activities during the 2020-2021 school year.

1. All surfaces in practice areas will be thoroughly disinfected throughout and at the end of each day.
2. Any equipment will be regularly disinfected before, during, and after practice sessions.
3. Students are not to share food, drinks, or water.

Face Coverings

Executive Order GA-29, regarding face coverings, applies to all UIL activities effective July 3, 2020. This includes the 2020-2021 school year. As the public health situation changes, and/or if subsequent Executive Orders are issued by Governor Greg Abbott, these guidelines may be further modified.

1. For the purposes of this document, face coverings include non-medical grade disposable face masks, cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth), to protect eyes, nose, and mouth.
2. All MISD employees, parents, visitors and students must wear face coverings upon entry to an area where UIL and extra-curricular activities are being conducted and when not actively practicing or playing in the contest, unless an exception listed below applies.

Exceptions to the wearing of face coverings or face shields include:

- Any person with a medical condition or disability that prevents wearing a face covering;
- While a person is consuming food or drink;

- When a congregating group of persons maintains at least 6 feet of social distancing; or
- Any other reason or circumstance indicated under Executive Order GA-29.

Game, Contest, and Event Management

In addition to the above guidelines and rules in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules and UIL manuals and handbooks, the following applies to games, scrimmages, and events for Teams and participants.

1. MISD will follow TEA guidance related to transportation for students.
2. Teams and participants are required to wear face coverings as described in Executive Order GA-29.
3. The host site should designate a cleaned and disinfected area for teams to unload and load buses separate from fans, spectators, and other individuals not essential to the team or group.
4. Visiting team /group locker rooms will be cleaned and sanitized by the host site before the visiting team arrives. Visiting teams/groups are responsible for cleaning and disinfecting equipment once it is unloaded. Access to these facilities will be limited to only students and staff essential for the game, contest, or event.
5. Before each game, contest, or event, MISD will follow the screening protocols described above to screen all staff members, contractors, volunteers, sports officials, contest judges, and any individuals otherwise involved in working the event. These individuals will also self-screen as described in these screening protocols.
6. Fan and spectator areas including bleachers, stands, walkways, and other spectator areas will be at least six feet from team /group areas such as team benches or performance areas. Where distancing is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as face coverings, implementing engineered controls such as physical barriers, or other risk mitigation efforts the school deems appropriate.
7. Students and spectators are not to share food, drinks or water.
8. Other areas used by participants, such as press box areas, will be cleaned and disinfected prior to and after use. Sites should develop plans for providing access to these areas that limit or remove potential contact between participants and non-participants.
9. MISD will provide sports and contest officials an area to enter and exit separate from fans when possible. Officials will be provided a dressing and meeting area, if applicable, that has been cleaned and disinfected prior to their arrival.
10. Pregame or pre-event meetings between teams and/or sports and contest officials will be planned to allow appropriate distancing between individuals.
11. Pregame and postgame gestures of sportsmanship will be conducted between teams and sports and contest officials in ways planned to help reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19.
12. All participants will be provided with entry and exit plans for contest areas that maintain separation from non-participants and fans. Individuals not essential to the team or group will not be given access to contest areas, performance areas, courts, or fields at all before, during, or after contests and events.

Student Groups Not Directly Involved in the Game or Contest

Student groups such as marching bands, cheerleaders, drill teams, and other groups approved by the school district may attend and perform at games or contests in which they are not competing. MISD will limit the number of participants to those essential to the performance.

1. These student groups will remain separate from the game or contest participants at all times. These student groups will avoid mixing with fans or non-group members throughout the game or contest.
2. Student groups are required to wear face coverings as described in Executive Order GA-29.

3. MISD will limit the number of students and staff given access to the playing areas and ensure protocols for entering and exiting the playing areas are in place.
4. Fans and spectators will maintain at least 10 feet of distance from bands playing wind instruments from the stands.
5. These students will maintain appropriate distancing from game or contest participants at all times, including when on the sideline.

Spectators, Audiences, Fans and Media

MISD will allow spectators to attend games, contests, or events within a maximum 50% capacity limitation, provided that appropriate spacing between spectators is maintained according to the protocol, and according to the following:

1. MISD will post visible signs and/or messaging stating any individuals who are confirmed to have, suspected of having, are experiencing symptoms of, or have been in close contact with an individual who has been confirmed to have COVID-19 should not enter the facility.
2. Spectators, audiences, fans and media are required to wear face coverings as described in Executive Order GA-29.
3. MISD will utilize remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations within a maximum 50% occupancy. Paper tickets and programming will be minimized to help avoid transferable materials.
4. Reserved times for entry to avoid mass arrivals will be utilized.
5. Groups will be at least six feet of distance from other groups at all times, including the process of admission and seating. A group is defined as no more than 2 people including the members of the household and those persons who traveled together to the facility.
6. MISD will not allow seating in consecutive rows, and will block off seating to maintain a minimum six feet of distance between groups.
7. Pathways for spectator ingress and egress will be clearly marked and unobstructed.
8. Hand sanitizing stations and/or hand washing stations at entrances and inside the facility will be provided by MISD.
9. Seating, handrails, and other common surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected prior to each game or contest.
10. Press Box seating will include social distancing of at least six feet between individuals when possible.
11. Access will be limited to working media providing coverage of the event to ensure protocols are followed.
12. Post-game interviews will be conducted while wearing face coverings and maintaining at least six feet of distance between the interviewer and individual being interviewed.

Concession Stands and Food Service

For games, contests, and events that will include concession stands or other food service, the following guidelines apply:

1. Staff, contractors, and volunteers involved in food service are required to wear face coverings as described in Executive Order GA-29.
2. Before each game, MISD will follow the screening protocols described above to screen staff, contractors, and volunteers who will be involved in food service prior to events. These individuals should also self-screen as described in the prescribed screening protocols.
3. The concession stand manager will document all individuals who are working concessions and the time in and out in the event an individual tests positive for COVID-19.

4. MISD will avoid leaving condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on unoccupied tables or at the counter. Sites should only provide condiments or flatware upon request, and in single use, individually wrapped items.
5. Regularly clean and disinfect the food service counters and areas. Clean and disinfect dining areas (tables, etc.) after each patron departs.
6. Contact will be limited between the individuals involved in food service and patrons as much as possible. Employees, contractors, and volunteers will be required to follow proper food-handling protocols.

Ticketing

Manor ISD will be using only online ticketing for the 2020-21 school year. A link to purchase online tickets will be available on the district Athletics website and on each campus website. After purchase online, the ticket(s) will be emailed to the purchaser so that they may present their electronic ticket(s) via their mobile phone at the gate. Paper tickets will NOT be available at the venue.

If the individual has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return before completing the isolation period, the individual must obtain a note from a medical professional clearing the individual for return based on a diagnosis other than COVID-19.

COVID-19 Symptoms

In evaluating whether an individual has symptoms consistent with COVID-19, consider the following question: Have they recently begun experiencing any of the following in a way that is new and/or not normal for them?

- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
- Loss of taste or smell
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Shortness of breath (if they have asthma is it different)
- Fatigue
- Headache (history of migraine - is it different than what is normal)
- Chills
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Shaking or exaggerated shivering
- Significant muscle pain or ache
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or vomiting