

2020-2021 Albany ISD Football Guidelines & Expectations

Albany ISD is set for the return to extracurricular activities. Each new year brings an anticipated excitement for the opportunity of what could be possible. This year is no exception! As we begin the new season however, please be aware of a few new requirements and adjustments from the past. This document is intended to bring you up to date on what to expect this season.

As required by UIL, all sporting events held at football fields and gymnasiums are limited to 50% seating capacity. Face coverings are to be worn in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order GA-29 at both home and away games. Your cooperation in meeting both expectations are greatly appreciated.

Ticket Information:

For the away games this season in Haskell and Anson, we are subject to ticket purchasing in the manner the host school have established. Those specific methods will be shared as soon those districts communicate their plan.

No admission fee will be charged for all pre-season home games and all home and away district games for both visitors and home fans. The goal is to limit the amount of face-to-face monetary transactions at the game entrances as a way to protect AISD staff members as well as visitors. All 2019-2020 Season Pass holders will maintain their purchased seats for the 2020-2021 season. Donations will be accepted to help offset the loss of revenue generated by ticket sales at home games to pay for the cost of officials and maintenance and operation of the football field.

Seating Capacity:

Robert Nail Memorial Stadium at 50% capacity will hold 1000 on the home side and 270 on the visitor side. AISD will keep count as guests arrive to the stadium. Once, and if the 50% capacity is reached, the gates will be closed.

To assist with the enforcement of the 50% capacity limitation on all away District 8-2A football games (Santo and Ilco), Albany ISD will be required to submit a list of eligible fans to the visiting school by 4:00 p.m. the day before the game. The selection process for eligible fans will be as follows:

By Monday at 5:00 p.m., each of the following student groups will provide their program director the names for the number of eligible guests to attend the game.

1. Each varsity football player will receive 4 entries.
2. Each band member will receive 2 entries.
3. Each cheerleader will receive 2 entries.

Starting 8:00 a.m., all remaining seats will be made available to the public as a first-come first-served basis. Please contact Morgan at 325-762-2823 to claim a seat

Example: Santo will have a total of 240 available seats

1. Each varsity football player (say there's 25) X 4 entries – Total 100 seats
2. Each band member (say there's 25) X 2 – Total 50 seats
3. Each cheerleader (say there's 25) X 2 – Total 50 seats

Remaining seats available: $240 - 200 = 40$ available seats for the general public

Anyone not on the list of eligible fans will not be allowed entrance to the away football games in Santo and Hico this year.

Live Streaming:

All fans, home and visitors, will be offered the opportunity to watch the games on live streaming by subscribing to NFHS. Specific information about live streaming will be shared soon.

Face Coverings:

As visitors in other stadiums, we must comply with their current face covering requirements. At this time, Albany ISD is not required to wear face coverings at football games as noted in the Governor's Executive Order GA-29. Note however, face coverings are encouraged, especially when social distancing is not possible; such as around the restrooms and concession stand.

Game Entrances:

For all home games, Albany ISD fans will enter the stadium at the Main Entrance. Visitors will enter through the south gate on the visitor side or the northwest double gate on the home side.

Pre-Game Activities:

No fans allowed on the field. This includes participation in the spirit line.

Post-Game Activities:

No fans allowed on the field. Once the game is completed, players will leave the playing area for the locker rooms. No visiting after the game on the field.

Media:

Local media will be allowed on the Albany sideline only. (Masks are required.)