



ITEMS OF NOTE (as of 12/1/2020)

As of November 18, all OHSAA Winter Sports are scheduled to begin on time. However, as we have seen, that could change at any moment. In order to have the safest winter season as possible, Norwood Athletics will be following all guidelines and regulations from the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), the OHSAA, and Norwood Health Department.

On November 24, the Ohio Department of Health, Governor DeWine, and the OHSAA released information that only parents/guardians of participants may attend a sporting event through at least December 31, 2020. Norwood will follow this guidance and limit attendance to only parents/legal guardians of participants.

Just like the fall season, Norwood Athletics has put together a plan for winter sports to begin/continue. Those plans include:

- COVID-19 trainings for all Norwood athletic coaches
 - o Coaches have begun to review and take part in these trainings and will be completing those before their next scheduled competition.
- Written operating procedures for game days, which are approved by the local health department
 - o Norwood Athletics put together an operating plan for all home events and it was approved by the Norwood Health Department last night.
- All home events will have a Compliance Officer to monitor that all individuals are following the ODH Order for sport competitions.
 - o Site inspectors may visit throughout the winter – negative reports could end with game forfeiture or closure of a facility.
- Facility capacities were developed to keep spectators as safe as possible by social distancing in the stands.
 - o Indoor Gymnasiums will have a max capacity of 15% or 300, whichever is less.
 - High School Gymnasium: 72 available areas to sit socially distant (89 max capacity)
 - Middle School Fieldhouse: 80 available areas to sit socially distant (80 max capacity)
 - o Bowling at Stone Lanes will have a maximum of two parents per player.
 - o Swimming will not be permitted to have spectators.

GAME DAY GUIDELINES FOR TEAMS

All teams that visit a Norwood facility to participate in an athletic event will have to follow the guidelines below to ensure the safest environment possible. Norwood teams will also follow the guidelines below when traveling to other schools:

- Temperature and COVID-19 screening before leaving for destination
- Temperature check upon arrival to destination
- Follow designated arrows to benches and arrive dressed
- No pre-game or post-game handshakes
- Face coverings worn at all times except during warmups and game play
 - o Members of the team on the bench must wear a face covering
 - o Bowling members are required to wear a mask during play

- Teams are limited to the following amounts of players per game/meet/match:
 - o Basketball: 15 total dressed
 - o Bowling: 6 total dressed
 - o Swimming: Limited to swimmers competing in meet
 - o Wrestling: 14 total dressed/Limited to wrestlers competing in the meet/match
 - o Cheer: 10 total dressed

GAME DAY GUIDELINES FOR SPECTATORS (PARENTS/GUARDIANS)

With the limited capacity because of COVID-19 director orders, the ODH has strongly recommended to not exchange cash at any gate and use a type of online ticketing. Beginning the 2020-2021 school year, all Norwood athletic home events (excluding Swimming, Bowling, Academic Quiz Team) will be cash-less, online ticketing only. These include all Middle School, Freshman, Junior Varsity, and Varsity events. Tickets will be sold via HomeTown Ticking under the norwoodindians.org "BOX OFFICE" tab. Directions and pictures are on page 4 below. Please note that Norwood Athletic Booster Club passes will NOT be sold this year.

During events within the High School Gymnasium and Middle School Fieldhouse, a specific amount of tickets will be allocated to each student-athlete and their families. Each will receive their own 'Passcode' to purchase tickets for the home events of their choosing. We ask that you do not share your passcodes, as there is a limit to the amount of tickets that can be purchased at each game. If someone does not have a passcode or the ticket limit is reached for your passcode, entrance will not be allowed.

Tickets will be available for purchase two days before the game/meet for all home events. Should someone forget their tickets on arrival to the facility, the "BOX OFFICE" will be open for the entire game and they can be purchased on any mobile/smartphone or tablet. Tickets will be emailed to that individual who can either print out or keep on their phone to be scanned at the gate. Spectators are only allowed to stay for their student-athlete's game and exit when game is complete.

The ticket limit for each home event will be the following:

- High School Basketball: 2 tickets per Norwood student-athlete; 1 ticket per visiting student-athlete
 - o Cheer will received 2 tickets per Norwood participant
 - o Pep Band will receive 1 ticket per Norwood participant
- Middle School Basketball: 2 tickets per Norwood student-athlete; 1 ticket per visiting athlete
 - o Cheer will receive 2 tickets per student-athlete

***Please Note: This is in accordance with Governor DeWine's Order which takes into account facility capacity and overall limitations.*

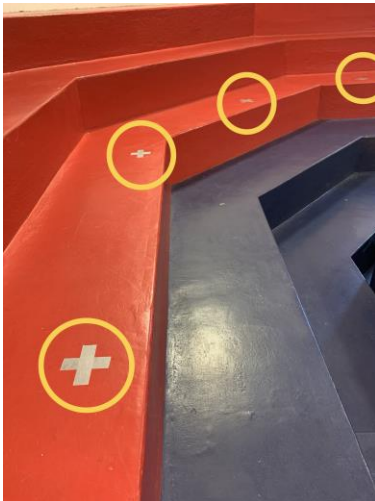
*Passcodes for Norwood student-athletes will be sent to each individual family before their tickets become available for their first home game via FinalForms.

****ONLY parents and/or guardians of participants (checked via FinalForms account and visiting team list) will be allowed into the facility.**

When our student-athletes travel to another school for a competition, that school may have limits for spectators and/or have online ticketing only. We will communicate that information to those teams' families before that event date via FinalForms. Please follow all directions when purchasing tickets, entering their facility, and after competitions.

When entering a Norwood facility, all spectators will be required to follow the guidelines below (ODH Order – see page 6 for spectator details for Basketball and Wrestling):

- Face coverings required for all spectators to wear at all times, except for one of the reasons stated in the Director’s Order for Facial Coverings throughout the State of Ohio, signed July 23, 2020, or as it may thereafter be amended.
- **Gates will open no earlier than 10 minutes before tipoff – Entrance will not be allowed before then**
- All spectators will have their temperature taken before entering the facility
 - o 100.3 degrees F and below will be allowed to enter
 - o All spectators are required to do a self-evaluation check for COVID-19 symptoms before arriving to the facility
- Separate entrance and exit gates/doors will be marked and arrows will direct spectators to their seats. The flow of traffic will be one way in order to provide social distancing throughout the event.
- Spectators are strongly encouraged to stay in their seats unless going to the restroom or concession stand.
 - o All spectators must be cleared out of the facility after each game.
- ~~Children in 6th grade or below must be accompanied by an adult at all times.~~
- Spectators must sit on an ‘X’, which will be marked throughout the bleachers, with a six-foot social distance between.
 - o Groups may only sit with a max of two (2) individuals who live within the same household.
 - o Groups must keep a six-foot social distance between them.
- Pictures of ‘X’ and arrows that will be used are below:



- Concessions will not be available for Middle School Basketball events. There will be limited concessions available at High School Basketball events.
 - o Concession operations must adhere to Ohio’s guidance for Restaurants, Bars, Banquet & Catering Facilities/Services (available at coronavirus.ohio.gov).

HOW TO WATCH HOME EVENTS LIVE ON YOUR DEVICE

The Pixellot Camera System has been officially installed in the High School Gymnasium!

This program will be available on the <https://www.NFHSnetwork.com> website. Anyone with internet access on a computer, phone, or tablet will have the ability to watch any competition at the High School live from anywhere in the world. Click here for a preview: <https://www.pixellot.tv/products/show/>.

To watch any home event at the high school gym, visit <https://www.NFHSnetwork.com>, search 'Norwood High School Ohio', and all live events will show on the webpage. There is a monthly fee of \$10.99 to watch unlimited games on the network.

The Norwood Community Television (NCTV) will also be broadcasting live on their YouTube page during the winter. We are excited to livestream almost every Middle School Basketball game, Swim meet, and even Bowling match for free! Links to games being broadcast will be sent via FinalForms and posted before the game/meet on the Norwood Athletics social media platforms.

Directions to Purchase Tickets for Norwood Middle School & High School Home Events

Beginning the 2020-2021 school year, ALL Norwood Middle School and High School home sporting events will be cash-less, online ticketing ONLY. The following are directions for both visiting and home families looking to purchase tickets. Tickets will go on sale two days before all Wrestling matches, and Middle School/High School Basketball games.

Thank you for your understanding and helping us keep everyone involved in this event safe and healthy!

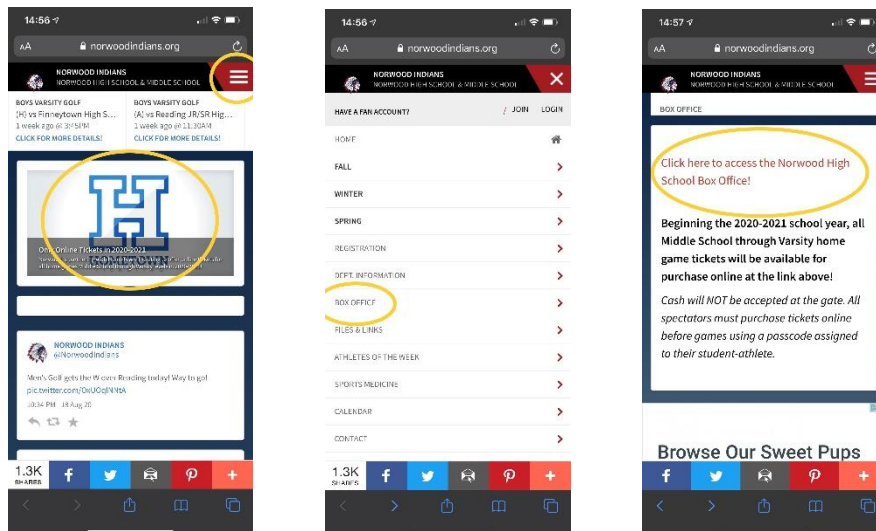
Please Note: In accordance with Governor DeWine and OHSAA guidance, only family members of student-athletes playing in the game are allowed to enter the facility.

- Visit www.norwoodindians.org and click 'Box Office' on the upper tool bar
- Click the link to the HomeTown Ticketing Box Office
- Select the game you are looking to attend
- Using a passcode, purchase your tickets by following the on-screen directions
 - o Visiting Fans: Passcode will come from your Athletic Department to purchase a max amount of tickets per player
 - o Norwood Fans: Passcode will be assigned to your student-athlete/family to purchase a max amount of tickets per player (Please do not share passcodes)
 - Max amounts of tickets per player based on facility used and permanent seat capacity
 - High School Gymnasium = 2 Home; 1 Visitor (89 person capacity – 72 spaces)
 - Middle School Gymnasium = 2 Home; 1 Visitor (80 person capacity)
- Tickets will then be sent to the email provided
 - o Print tickets or keep on your phone to be scanned at the door
- **Gates will open 10 minutes before scheduled tipoff of each game**
- Only parents/guardians of participants are allowed into facility

Reminders for Spectators

- **Spectators must clear the facility immediately after their student-athletes' game.**
- A family 'pod' should sit on one 'X', socially distant from other families/individuals.
- Spectators should limit the amount of time out of their seat.
- Face coverings are required at all times within Norwood City School District facilities.

When purchasing from your smartphone



Welcome Norwood Fans!

The following are guidelines when attending a Norwood High School or Middle School athletic event in the sport of BASKETBALL or WRESTLING. Please note that these guidelines are subject to change based on new regulations.

We appreciate your help in making sure all Ohio Department of Health, Norwood Health Department, and OHSAA guidelines are followed to keep everyone safe and healthy when attending our sporting events.

NOTE: Only parents/guardians of participants are allowed to attend. General Admission is not permitted.

The guidelines below will be followed by all spectators when attending a Norwood High School or Middle School BASKETBALL game or WRESTLING MATCH:

Personal Health Screening Before Arrival

- Spectators should refrain from entering the facility if they have had:
 - o Symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 48 hours:
 - Fever over 100.3 degree F
 - Sore Throat
 - Cough
 - Shortness of Breath
 - Loss of Taste/Smell
 - Fatigue
 - o Positive test for COVID-19 (within last 14 days)
 - o Close contact with a positive case of COVID-19 (within the past 14 days)

On Arrival to Facility

- Gates will open 10 minutes before scheduled tipoff of each game
- Social distance if waiting in line to enter facility (6 feet – stand on 'X')
- Wear a face covering when entering and in the building – In accordance with ODH/OHSAA mandate
- All spectators will have temperature taken (no data is recorded)
 - o Spectators with a temperature of 100.3 degree F or below will be allowed to enter
 - o Spectators with a temperature of 100.4 degree F or higher will not be allowed to enter
- Present online ticket on paper or phone to be scanned
 - o Online ticketing only (norwoodindians.org – Box Office) **No Cash Accepted at Gate*
 - o See attached regarding the purchase of online tickets
- Hand sanitizer will be provided to all spectators
- Follow arrows to the bleachers

Seating in Bleachers

- All Norwood facilities will have limited capacity due to COVID-19 guidelines
- Spectators should follow arrows to the bleachers and sit on an 'X' (6 foot separation)
 - o Families should sit in 'pods' on one 'X'
 - ~~o Students in 6th grade or below must be accompanied by an adult~~
 - o Home Team = 2 tickets; Visiting Team = 1 ticket
- Spectators should not gather in the hallways or common areas or in the gym after games

At Conclusion of Games

- All spectators are required to exit facility at the conclusion of each game for sanitization of bleachers
- Entrance and exit are in separate areas at each facility
 - o Follow arrows when leaving the facility **No re-entry*

Concessions/Restrooms

- Concessions MAY be available for High School Basketball events (Not available for Middle School)
- Restrooms are available for all events