



# SMYRNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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RE: Security at Football Games

To the Smyrna/Clayton Community:

The Smyrna School District is excited to welcome our community to Smyrna High School for the first home football game of the season on September 30. Our team has been preparing for our first home event for months now. However, the disruptive and violent behaviors at Friday night football games in recent weeks in Delaware and surrounding states are more than concerning.

To mitigate risk to our spectators, students and staff, the Smyrna School District will enact the following policies and procedures for the game tomorrow evening and for the remainder of the season:

- Children 14 and under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian/responsible party. Smyrna Middle School administrators will be on site at the gates to help with this expectation. A message was sent to the families of SMS this week with those details.
- No outside sports equipment can be brought into the stadium (i.e., footballs).
- One admittance to the game per ticket purchased. No readmission.
- The stadium will be split for home and away fans. Both sides will have access to restrooms and concessions.
- A QR code will be posted around the stadium. Fans should scan the code to retrieve valuable safety plan information in the event an emergency occurs. Being proactive is the best practice.
- Lighting has been optimized in all areas, including areas behind bleachers.
- Law enforcement presence will be enhanced in and around the stadium, including patrols in the parking lots.

If you are unable or choose to not attend in person Delaware Live 302 Sports will be streaming the game for free on YouTube. All other home games are available on the NFHS network for a monthly/yearly fee. More information is available at [www.nfhsnetwork.com](http://www.nfhsnetwork.com).

Tickets are available at [www.ticketpick.com](http://www.ticketpick.com) or at the ticket booth the night of the event. The gates will open at 6pm.

As a leadership team, we depend on our community to help us keep each other safe as we host the events that make our community so special. We cannot emphasize the powerful statement “See something. Say something.” enough. We are STRONGER TOGETHER. Please let us know if

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concerns are circulating. We cannot keep each other safe without the commitment of all to be a part of the solution.

Thank you,

Dr. Susan P. Brown  
Superintendent

Mrs. Deborah Judy  
Assistant Superintendent

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