

Game and Event Management

Coaches are responsible for managing their venues and creating a positive atmosphere through proper event management. Coaches are expected to work closely and regularly with the operations department and the athletic facilities director regarding issues related to preparation of athletic venues.

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Pregame Script

A pregame script or agenda is needed for every high school home game in which we have public address (PA) capabilities (i.e. baseball, basketball, football, lacrosse, soccer, and softball). Scripts should always include a welcome statement, pregame prayer, the playing and/or singing of the national anthem, and, when appropriate, team introductions. Sports without PA can distribute rosters/flyers promoting their sport or take other steps to enhance the experience of their home games. *For example, soccer can incorporate ball boys/girls to work the sidelines, retrieve balls, etc.* Adding “extras” to our home games will always benefit the program. To enhance the experience for everyone, coaches are requested to plan ahead and designate people to pray and musicians to perform the national anthem. Canned music can be used, but preference should be given to live music when possible.

Scoreboards

Every game played on a field with a scoreboard must have it operational. Coaches are responsible for finding parent or student volunteers and creating a schedule for them to work games. The operations department and the sports facilities director should be notified if scoreboards are dysfunctional.

Accommodations for Opponents and Parking

Locker rooms, access to the trainer or to the trainer's room, and water coolers and cups are just a few things to be coordinated for visiting teams as part of being a good host. A coach or an assigned Eagle Backer volunteer should be available to greet opposing teams and coaches upon their arrival for directions and help in navigating our campus. Hospitality is a point of emphasis with the GHSA and METRO 10.

Visitor Parking

Opposing teams arriving in charter or long school buses will need assistance parking. Coaches are expected to communicate the location of bus parking to our visitors. (The operations department will designate visitor bus parking in various lots on campus.)