

BRECKENRIDGE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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~ BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF SPECTATORS ~

(taken from the 2023-24 UIL Parent Handbook)

Buckaroo & Bronco Fans are expected to set the example for Gymnasium Behavior. We may not like the "call" or the actions of the other "fans," but we WILL NOT respond in a negative way that might jeopardize our team's success or your child's success.

****Remember that you are at the contest to support and yell for your team and to enjoy the skill and competition, not to intimidate or ridicule the other team, its fans, or the officials.**

****A ticket is a privilege to observe the contest, not a license to assault others or be generally obnoxious verbally. That privilege may be revoked at any time.**

****Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials. Understand that they are doing their best to help promote the student-athletes. We should all admire their willingness to participate in full view of the public.**

****Remember that school athletics are a learning experience for students and that mistakes are sometimes made. Praise student-athletes in their attempt to improve themselves as students, athletes, and people, just as you would praise a student working in the classroom.**

****Learn the rules of the game so that you may understand and appreciate why certain situations occur.**

****Show respect for the opposing players, coaches, spectators, and support groups.**

****Recognize and show appreciation for an outstanding play by either team.**

****Refrain from the use of any controlled substances (alcohol, drugs, etc.) before, during, and after the game on or near the site of the event (i.e., tailgating).**

****Use only cheers that support and uplift the teams involved.**

****Be a positive role model at events through your actions and by censuring those around you whose behavior is unbecoming.**

****Parents and spectators should be aware that the school can (and should) remove them from the premises and can prohibit them from attending future contests due to undesirable behaviors.**

****Game officials can ask that school administrators remove unruly fans from a UIL contest facility.**

****There is no such thing as a "right" to attend interscholastic athletics. Interscholastic athletics are considered a "privilege." Anyone who attends these events is expected to conduct himself or herself accordingly.**

****Keep in mind that you are a guest of the school and that while winning is certainly an admirable goal, it is hollow if it comes at the expense of morals, ethics, or just plain common sense.**

****The school is responsible for the behavior of its spectators. The school district can be and will be punished for the actions of patrons in violation of UIL standards and rules.****

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When a spectator is ejected from an athletic event, the Game Administrator shall take the following action:

- If at home, escort the ejected fan outside and ask that he/she leave the premises. Call for police assistance if the spectator refuses to leave the premises.
- If away, assist the home administrator in any way possible. If for any reason there is not a Game Administrator at an away contest, the designated coach on the bench shall assume the responsibilities addressed in this document.
- As soon as possible (and before leaving the facility), the Game Administrator shall notify the Superintendent ***and*** Athletic Director via text or phone call (Allen: 817-851-4752; Pearce: 325-669-5779).
- The following day, or as soon as possible, the Game Administrator shall document the event in writing and email Superintendent, Athletic Director, and Campus Administrator (if applicable) the event's details.
- The following business day, the Athletic Director shall call and schedule a meeting with the ejected fan. A campus administrator should also be included in this meeting. This meeting should take place ***BEFORE*** the ejected fan is allowed to attend any further athletic events.
- At this meeting, the Campus Administrator and Athletic Director shall:
 - Review the events as documented by the Game Administrator
 - Allow the ejected fan an opportunity to tell his/her side of the story
 - Review the Expectations of Behavior Document
 - Review the Punitive Steps that may be taken (see attached)
 - Explain to the ejected fan the punitive steps to be taken in this instance
- Any appeal to this decision may be made in accordance with the adopted Board policy. See GKA (LOCAL), FNG (LOCAL), or GF (LOCAL) as appropriate.

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When a spectator is ejected from an athletic event, the campus administrator will have the following options available:

- **Probationary Period**: A fan placed on probation shall not violate the Expectations of Behavior or be ejected from any event during the probation (*recommended for a first offense*).
- **30-Day Ban**: A fan placed on a 30-Day Ban shall not attend ANY athletic events during the period spanning the ban (in calendar days) nor violate the Expectations of Behavior in any other way.
 - Adjudicating this ban will result in the ejected fan working for BISD as an assisting official for two weeks as a JH "B team Official" without pay. While officiating, the fan will be expected to know the rules & help "B Team" players and coaches elevate the player's abilities and excitement for playing basketball and understand the role and scrutiny that Officials fall under.
- **Calendar Year Ban**: A fan placed on a Calendar Year Ban shall not attend ANY athletic events during the period spanning the ban nor violate the Expectations of Behavior in any other way.