

Hertford County High School Athletic Protocol

Bear Fans, below is the HCHS Spectator Policy for the 2022-2023 Basketball Season:

Bag Policy: HCHS strongly encourages spectators not to bring any bags; however, the following bag policy will be in place for spectators:

- One (1) clear tote bag(plastic, vinyl, or PVC) per person is permitted or small purses should not exceed 12" x 6" x 12," and schools have the discretion to prohibit any oversized bags.
- All bags are subject to be searched.
- Prohibited items include but are not limited to: large purses, backpacks, duffel bags, diaper bags, and computer bags.
- Exception: HCHS student athletes participating in the athletic event, officials/referees, and HCHS employees. Bags necessary for approved medical equipment are approved.
- Adult Supervision Policy: Children who are **middle-school age or younger must be accompanied by an adult,** preferably a parent/guardian, for entry into the athletic event.
- High-school aged students from the home school, visiting school, or community may attend the game without being accompanied by an adult.
- Anyone who violates the HCHS rules will be removed from the event and/or banned from attending events. Law enforcement and/or school officials will contact parents/guardians of students/juveniles and there could be school-based (for students) and/or criminal consequences for persons over the age of 18 for offenses in the Student Code of Conduct and/or breaking the law.
- No Re-Entry Policy: HCHS will continue to enforce a no re-entry policy in all athletic venues. If a spectator leaves the venue, they will not be readmitted, unless there are extenuating circumstances as approved by school officials or they purchase a new ticket.
- Increased Law Enforcement: In collaboration with the Hertford County Sheriff's Office and Ahoskie Police Department, there will be additional officers employed at every athletic event, in the venue, and around the campus. Please note: all persons, personal items, and vehicles are subject to be searched on school property.

Notice- At the discretion of school officials, additional policies or modifications to the above policies may be implemented and enforced.