

April 23, 2021

Dear James Wood parents:

As we prepare to open our spring sports season, there is important information regarding event attendance that I want to pass on to you. We are grateful to be able to offer a full VHSL competitive season to our spring athletes since they lost their entire 2020 season to COVID. All three FCPS schools continue to be affected by COVID-related postponements and cancellations, however, and we remain committed to following all necessary protocols to ensure that such shutdowns do not occur during the upcoming season. I have emphasized the importance of maintaining strict distancing, masking, and sanitizing procedures with our coaches. These same expectations must apply to our fans as well.

All tickets must be purchased using our new Go Fan portal at <http://bit.ly/JamesWoodTickets> . There will be NO game day cash sales. Games will appear on the James Wood ticket page the week prior to scheduled games. We must abide by state regulations which cap spectator attendance at the lesser of 500 or 30% of a venue's capacity for early-season games. In mid-May, those numbers will increase to 1000 or 50% of capacity. We do not anticipate issues with soccer or track given the seating capacity of the stadium. Those tickets will be available through a single public link. Local baseball and softball game attendance, particularly against Millbrook and Sherando, may be problematic since the caps are 90 spectators. Separate home, away, and public codes will be created for all games, with priority given to parents of both home and visiting players. Any additional tickets will then go on sale to the general public. No passes of any kind will be accepted this year due to the strict counts needed to abide by current law.

All fans are expected to strictly adhere to COVID-19 protocols. Fans with any illness or symptoms should not attend the game. Families may sit together but must be spaced at least 6 feet apart from other families in the stands. Masks must be worn AT ALL TIMES when inside the stadium. All spectators must remain in the bleachers--no standing along the fences or behind the backstops. Seating on the hillside at baseball is permitted but tickets must be presented. Failure to adhere to these guidelines will result in immediate ejection from the premises. If you feel you cannot follow these protocols, please stay home.

We appreciate your patience and understanding of the restrictions we must continue to operate under in order to provide parents in particular the ability to watch their children play this season.

Sincerely,

Craig Woshner
Coordinator of Student Activities