TO: Visiting Teams/Fans

FROM: Archbishop Bergan Catholic School

DATE: November 13, 2020

RE: JV/VARSITY BASKETBALL GAME DAY COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

**Location: Archbishop Bergan Catholic Middle School/High School**

* **Building Entry:**
  + **IN FOLLOWING THE GUIDELINES FROM THREE RIVERS HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WE ARE LIMITING ATTENDANCE TO 25% CAPACITY. ATTENDANCE WILL BE RESTRICTED TO HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS OF PLAYERS AND COACHES ONLY! BERGAN WILL BE UTILIZING A WEB-BASED PLATFORM FOR SELLING TICKETS AND ADMITTING SPECTATORS TO JV/VARSITY GAMES. VISITING TEAM SPECTATORS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PRE-PURCHASE 50 TOTAL TICKETS. A LINK AND ACCESS CODE WILL BE SHARED WITH THE VISITING SCHOOL IN THE DAYS LEADING UP TO THE GAME. TICKETS WILL BE ELECTRONICALLY SCANNED AND VERIFIED AT THE ADMITTANCE GATE. NO SPECTATOR WILL BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A VERIFIED TICKET!**
  + All players, coaches, fans, staff, and other personnel will enter the building through the main gym lobby entrance on the east side of Bergan MS/HS. **Masks are required to enter the building.** Any person attempting to enter the building who does not have a mask of their own will have the opportunity to purchase a basic disposable mask for $1. **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE BUILDING UNLESS WEARING A MASK AND MASKS ARE TO BE WORN AT ALL TIMES. Social distancing is expected while waiting to enter the building as well as at all times when inside the building to the best extent possible.**
  + Visiting players, coaches, and other essential personnel (media, athletic trainers, bookkeepers, etc.) will NOT be allowed to enter the building more than 1 hour prior to the start time of the 1st scheduled contest.
  + Spectators/fans and cheerleaders will NOT be allowed to enter the building more than 45 minutes prior to the start of the first contest.
  + Everyone entering the building will also have to pass a temperature scan to be allowed to enter. Anyone scanning at a temperature above 99.9° F will be rescanned. Any person scanning a 2nd time at a temperature above 99.9° F will NOT be allowed to enter the building.
  + Everyone entering the building is encouraged to utilize hand sanitizer upon gaining entry.
* **Seating**
  + The first two rows of the east bleachers on both sides of the scorer’s table will serve as team benches to allow for social distancing. The home bench is to the north of the scorer’s table and the visitor’s bench is to the south of the scorer’s table. **The benches are marked with green Bergan B’s to designate spots only for bench personnel to sit.**
  + Spectators/fans will not be allowed to stand/congregate in the gym lobby or in the main entrance to the gym. There will be no spectator seating in the first three rows of the east bleachers. the only possible exception would be to accommodate handicapped/wheelchair-bound spectators.
  + In the remaining area of the east bleachers, spectators/fans are expected to social distance from others outside their immediate family unit. **HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO SIT TOGETHER, AND Children should remain with their parents at all times.** Visiting spectators/fans will use the south half of the east bleachers, and Bergan spectators/fans will use the north half of the east bleachers for seating. **Spectator seating is marked with yellow Bergan B’s to designate spots for individuals or HOUSEHOLD units to sit.**
  + The bleachers on the stage on the west side of the gym are reserved strictly for players not involved in the current game being played. **THE GYM STAGE BLEACHERS ARE MARKED WITH DARK GREEN B’S TO DESIGNATE SPOTS FOR PROPER SOCIAL DISTANCING.**
* **Concessions**
  + The concession stand in the gym lobby will be open and available to patrons. Patrons of the concession stand will be asked to social distance according to the markings on the floor while waiting in line to the best of their ability and to eat/drink their items in the gym lobby only. **NO FOOD OR DRINKS WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE GYM!** **IN THE GYM LOBBY OR IN THE CLASSROOM DIRECTLY NORTH OF THE GYM LOBBY, Masks may be removed temporarily ONLY WHILE eatING/drinkING AND social distance SHOULD BE MAINTAINED.**
  + Designated people will be assigned to the concession stand to serve customers and a separate person will be designated to take and handle money directly next to the concession stand in the gym lobby.
* **Locker Rooms**
  + A visiting team locker room will be available on the north end of the gymnasium. Players, coaches, and other team personnel are expected to wear masks while occupying the locker room.
* **Pep Band & Cheerleaders**
  + There will be no pep band at home games for the time being. Cheerleaders are allowed but must social distance and wear masks at all times, including while cheering during games. **NO MORE THAN SIX CHEERLEADERS FOR EACH SCHOOL WILL BE ALLOWED ADMITTANCE TO THE FACILITY. CHEERLEADERS WILL NOT NEED A DIGITAL TICKET TO ENTER.**
* **BASKETBALL – Warm-ups & Game time**
  + **MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES BY COACHES AND PLAYERS. THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS FOR THE 10 PLAYERS IN THE GAME FOR WHOM MASKS ARE OPTIONAL.**
  + **The visiting team will be required to bring their own BASKETballs to use during warm-ups.**
  + The visiting team will be required to bring their own water bottles for their players. Water bottles may be filled in the training room on the stage or using the water bottle fill station next to the gym lobby.
  + Only essential personnel will be allowed at the scorer’s table----announcer, scoreboard operator & bookkeeper and must wear masks at all times.
  + The pre-game conference will be limited to one coach and one player from each team and the officials who should social distance to the best of their ability during this time. There will be no pre- or post-match handshakes with officials or opposing teams.
  + **Bench personnel is required to wear masks at all times and observe social distancing as much as possible**.
  + Players, coaches, and officials should sanitize their hands whenever possible.
  + Game balls will be sanitized prior to the game, at time-outs, and at quarter breaks. Game balls will be rotated out and sanitized if touched by spectators to the best of our ability.
  + Players should social distance to the best of their ability during substitutions.
* **Post-game procedures**
  + There will be no post-game handshakes. The PA announcer will lead a post-game prayer immediately after the conclusion of the game. All players should proceed directly to their respective locker rooms after the conclusion of the post-game prayer maintaining social distancing to the best extent possible.
  + **Spectators/fans/players will not be allowed on the court after the conclusion of the game** and should social distance while exiting the building immediately after conclusion of the game.
  + Spectators/fans should plan to exit the building immediately after the conclusion of the game. Everyone is expected to social distance to the best of their ability when exiting the building. If congregating outside the building, spectators/fans/players/coaches should continue to practice social distancing.