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Dear CCSD Community,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to inform you about an important change that is being implemented at all sporting events and major school events in the Camden City School District for the 2023-2024 school year.

Effective immediately, we will be implementing a <u>clear bag policy</u> for all sporting events and major school events for the upcoming school year. This policy aligns with similar regulations in place at college and professional stadiums. We kindly ask for your cooperation and understanding as we prioritize safety and security for everyone attending our events.

To ensure smooth entry into all sporting events and major school events, please be aware that there will be no admittance allowed without a clear bag. Each person is allowed one clear bag. The following types of bags are permitted inside CCSD sporting events:

- Clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC bags not exceeding 12"x6"x12"
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bags
- Small clutch bags, with or without a handle or strap, not exceeding 4.5"x6.5"

This new policy aims to expedite security screenings while providing a safe environment for all spectators. Your support and cooperation in adhering to this policy will greatly contribute to the success of our sporting and school events.

Thank you for your understanding and commitment to the safety of our school community.

Students First.

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Clear Bag Policy

Beginning in August 2023, all events at a CCSD venue will have a clear bag policy for spectators to promote safety and security. Approved and non-approved bags are indicated below.

Approved Bags



– 12"



12"





One gallon clear resealable plastic storage bag

1 gallon

Bags must be clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and have a maximum of one logo imprint not exceeding 4.5 inches tall by 3.4 inches wide.

OR

Small Bags







The only non-clear bags permitted are small bags (with or without a strap) no larger than the size of a hand.

Exceptions to the clear bag policy will be made for credentialed media and those with necessary medical items after proper inspection at designated areas.

Non-Approved Bags

All non-clear and/or larger than those shown above.



Backpack



Purse



Printed patterne plastic bag



Colored plastic storage bag



Reusable grocery tote



able Large tote bag



Camera case



Diaper bag



Duffle bag



Solid color cinch bag



Large fanny pack



Mesh or straw bag

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What happens if I show up at the facility entrance with a bag that is not permitted?

- A. Prohibited bags will be turned away from the facility before they reach the entrance. There is no area for bag storage, so bags will need to be returned to your vehicle, out of plain sight.
- Q. Can I place my non-clear bag inside of a clear bag?
 - A. No. If a non-clear bag is placed inside of a clear bag, it will not be allowed in the venue. Small, pocket-sized wallets are allowable.
- Q. Is a tinted, but "see through" bag allowed, if it meets the size restriction?
 - A. No. Color tinted bags do not comply with the Clear Bag Policy.
- Q. Can patrons carry cameras, smart phones or other approved items separately from what they put in a clear bag?
 - A. Yes. Phones and cameras can be carried into the facility so long as it is not in its own bag.
- Q. Are diaper bags permitted?
 - A. Diapers and wipes can be carried in approved clear bags, however non-clear diaper bags are not permitted. Persons with infants and toddlers may utilize a clear book bag as a diaper bag.
- Q. If I have certain items that I need to bring into the stadium for medical reasons and they won't fit in the clear bag, what do I do?
 - A. Medical bags do not have to be clear. Medical bags will be searched.

Please direct any additional questions to your school's Athletic Director.