### RUTHERFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS EVENT POLICY

The school district strongly believes in the importance of interscholastic athletic events and welcoming the community onto our campuses. However, providing a safe and secure environment on our campuses must always be the top priority. To improve safety and security, the following policies will be implemented for ALL SPECTATORS AT ALL EXTRACURRICULAR AND ATHLETICS EVENTS OUR CAMPUSES.

## **BAGS**

- Spectators are strongly encouraged not to bring any bags. The following is the bag policy for all spectators:
- One (1) clear tote bag (plastic, vinyl, or PVC) per person is permitted.
- Clear totes should not exceed 12" x 6" x 12" and schools have the discretion to prohibit any oversized clear tote bags.
- One (1) one-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziplock bag or similar) per person is permitted.
- Clear bags cannot be tinted or have large graphics that obstruct visibility.
- Approved family care items (diapers, formula, etc.) must be included in the clear plastic tote bag.
- As an alternative, attendees may use a small "clutch" purse, no larger than 4 ½ inches by 6 ½ inches.
- All bags are subject to be searched.
- Prohibited items: include, but are not limited to: purses, fanny packs, backpacks, duffel bags, coolers, briefcases, diaper bags, cinch bags, luggage of any kind, and computer bags.
- Exceptions: students participating in the event (athletes, cheerleaders, musicians, etc.), officials/referees, and RCS employees or employees from visiting out-of-district schools may bring bags that are necessary for the event. Bags necessary for approved medical equipment are permitted.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE

In collaboration with the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office, there may be additional officers employed at an athletic event, in the venue and around the campus. All persons, personal items, and vehicles are subject to be searched on school property.



# CLEAR BAG POLICY

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#### **APPROVED BAGS**





## OR SMALL BAGS (NON-CLEAR)



AS AN ALTERNATIVE, ATTENDEES MAY USE A SMALL "CLUTCH" PURSE, NO LARGER THAN 4 ½ INCHES BY 6 ½ INCHES.

CLEAR BAG POLICY WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR ALL SPECTATORS AT THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ON OUR CAMPUSES: HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASKETBALL GAMES; HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY FOOTBALL GAMES; MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAMES (VARSITY AND JV); MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL GAMES (VARSITY AND JV); AND END-OF-SEASON TOURNAMENTS.

#### **NON-APPROVED BAGS**















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# WEAPONS DETECTION

#### **ACCEPTABLE ITEMS**



### **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

