



## **HIGH SCHOOL STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS**

### **School Information Packet**

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#### **PARKING**

- Parking will be available in specific parking lots near Rice-Eccles Stadium with the exception of the LDS Institute lot located to the Southeast of the Huntsman Center.
- A parking map will be supplied to the UHSAA and the high schools. Please check the Huntsman Center website at [www.stadium.utah.edu](http://www.stadium.utah.edu) or the high school's website for the parking map which will show designated parking lots.
- Please do not park in lots which have been specifically prohibited from high school football playoffs parking. They will be identified by signage.

#### **VIP PARKING**

- VIP parking will be in a designated area in the parking lot located west of Rice-Eccles Stadium. There will be bike barricades surrounding the designated area. There are 75 stalls available per each semi-final game and 100 stalls for each final game. Each high school will be provided a designated amount of VIP parking passes by UHSAA. These parking passes will allow administration and other VIPs to park in these designated stall. The designated parking area will be controlled by a University Parking Attendant dressed in a bright yellow shirt.

#### **TRAX / FRONTRUNNER**

- Transportation to Rice-Eccles Stadium on TRAX and FrontRunner is encouraged as there is limited parking available around the Stadium.
- A ticket purchased at participating high schools or a ticket purchased online will also serve as pre-paid fare on TRAX or FrontRunner to the Stadium. Present your ticket to the train attendant when asked to present proof of paid fare. It is not necessary to purchase a ticket to ride TRAX or FrontRunner if you have your ticket to the event with you.

### **TEAM BUS PARKING**

- Busses will be allowed to drop players and coaches off on 500 South on the south side of the Stadium. This road can be reached driving westbound on 500 South from Guardsman Way. The busses will park next to the curb inside the barricades in the lane closest to the Stadium as designated by the parking signs and marquees.

### **STUDENT BUS PARKING**

- Same place and procedure as the team bus parking. Student bus parking will be in the barricaded lane closest to Stadium along westbound 500 South from Guardsman Way to 1300 East

### **STUDENT/GENERAL PUBLIC SEATING**

- Home team student seating is located in the red seats on the East side of the Stadium.
- Home team students and ticket holders should enter through Gate L located on the southeast corner of the Stadium.
- Visiting team student seating is located in the red seats on the West side of the Stadium.
- Visiting team students and ticket holders should enter through Gate A located on the southwest corner of the Stadium.

### **BAND SEATING**

- Home team band seating is located in Section E39, Rows 1 - 25.
- Visiting team band seating is located in Section W9, Rows 1 - 25.
- Power will be provided at both locations if needed.

### **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Confetti
- Silly String
- Air Horns
- Balloons
- Signs
- Weapons
- Food & Drink (1 bottle of factory sealed water is allowed)
- Additional items as listed on the UHSAA website

### **CONFETTI CLEAN-UP CHARGES**

- If confetti or silly string is thrown or dispersed on the Field, in the Stadium or outside on the sidewalks or landscape areas each school will be charged \$250.00 per occurrence with the minimum charge being \$250.00 for a single occurrence, \$500.00 for two, \$750.00 for three, \$1,000.00 for four or more occurrences. \$1,000.00 will be the maximum charge even if there are more than four occurrences.

### **TEAM ENTRANCE**

- The Home and Visiting teams will enter the building at Service Gate 4 located on the southeast side of the Stadium. The busses will be allowed to park in the designated bus parking in the north lane closest to the Stadium heading westbound. All busses must access the parking and drop off area from the westbound lanes on the south side of the Stadium. A map will be provided to UHSAA showing the team entrance.
- The Home and Visiting teams will proceed down the east ramp to the field and then to the locker rooms located in the South Building on the South side of the Field.

### **GENERAL TEAM/FOOTBALL TEAM INFORMATION**

- Wilson footballs with the NFHS stamp **MUST** be used by both teams and will be provided for the games when a school does not already have a game ball. Each team may provide ball runners who are 9<sup>th</sup> grade age and older. **NO CHILDREN BELOW THE 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD.** Wilson is the official ball and will be used in these games. Schools may use their own footballs but they **MUST** be Wilson footballs.
- Hash marks on the field are NCAA regulation. Goal posts are NCAA width.

### **LOCKER ROOMS**

- The Home team locker room is located down the hallway on the East side of the South Building.
- The Visiting team locker room is located down the hallway on the West side of the South Building.
- The locker rooms will need to be vacated by the teams during halftime of the 11:00 am & 2:30 pm games so that the teams for the next game can enter the locker room before their games.

### **TEAM BENCHES**

- The Home team bench is located on the East side of the Field.
- The Visiting team bench is located on the West side of the Field.

### **TEAM VIDEO**

- The Home and Visiting team video areas are located on the top of the South Building Stands just under the scoreboard on either side of the TV camera and at the top of the West side bowl on Row 64 at the 50 yardline.
- No team video will be allowed in the Press Box or Operations Booths or Suites in the Tower area of the Stadium.

### **COACHES BOOTHS**

- The Home and Visiting Team Coaches Booths are located on Level 6 in the Tower. The Home Team Coaches Booth is Suite 612.
- The Visiting Team Coaches Booth is Suite 606.

- Coaches can take the elevator on South side at Gate C to Level 6.
- Coaches must identify themselves to the landing Usher on Level 6 and be dressed in clothing affiliated with their High School in order to gain access to this level.

### **SIDELINE EQUIPMENT**

- No heaters of any kind will be allowed on the sideline.
- Coolers, ice, water, individual water bottles and cups must be provided by the Home and Visiting Teams.
- Coaches' headset must be provided by the Home & Visiting Team equipment staff.
- Chains, Down & Distance Markers and Endzone Pylons will be provided by Rice-Eccles Stadium.
- UHSAA will provide the sideline crew to operate the chains and down markers.

### **CHEER & DRILL**

- All cheer and drill team members must enter with a ticket through the public entrance gates and then come down to the Field via the ramps located on the east and west sides on the south side of the Field.
- Home and visiting team cheerleaders will be allowed to stand to the South of the team box on the East and West sides of the Field in front of the student sections. There is not enough room for the cheerleaders to stand behind the team box at the 50 yard line so they will need to stand behind the white dotted line south of the team box.
- Cheerleaders may place their coats, jackets & bags on the Field next to the wall on their respective sides.
- The Home Team Drill Team may change in the Women's restroom located on the east side of the South Building just off the Field Level. The Visiting Team Drill Team may change in the Visiting Team Press Conference Room located on the west side of the South Building just off of the Field level.
- Drill teams will enter the Field for their performances from the East or West Ramps on the south side of the Field.
- Music for drill team halftime performances should be taken to the Sound Booth located on Level 6 at the north end of the floor in Suite 619.
- Drill & Cheer Coaches may take the elevator located on the southwest side of the Stadium at Gate C to Level 6.
- Halftime performances: Home Team will go first and have 3 minutes Visiting Team will go second and have 3 minutes.
- Schools will be reimbursed (upon receipt of a claim form listing each participant by name) to a maximum of 15 cheerleaders. Schools may have more than 15 cheerleaders on the sideline as long as they do not impede on any game operations.

### **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

- The National Anthem will be done on game 1 of the semi finals. We will do a National Anthem for every game of the finals.
- 1 Cordless mic will be provided for the singing of the National Anthem regardless of the size of the group.
- There will be a mic check on the east sideline at the 50 yard line at 20:00 minutes on the countdown clock.
- A representative from UHSAA will be in charge of the mic and will que the singers at the appropriate time prior to the beginning of the game.
- If there are no singers then the Home Team Pep Band will play the anthem. If they decline then a pre-recorded version will be played by the Stadium.

### **TICKET OFFICE**

- The ticket office is located on the southwest side of the Stadium. All of the outside ticket windows will be open for sales,
- Tickets will be sold on-site from 1 hour prior to the start of the first game through halftime of the last game each day of the playoffs.
- Cash or checks only will be accepted for payment on-site.
- There is an ATM located just outside the ticket office inside lobby.

### **ONLINE / FLASH TICKETS**

- Online / Flash tickets are available for purchase on [utahtickets.com](http://utahtickets.com). A link will be provided on the UHSAA website as well as on the Rice-Eccles Stadium website.
- The online tickets will be sent to you via email and you must present the flash code on your mobile device at a specific gate at Gates A & L entrances.
- Online / Flash tickets can be used as a ticket for fare on TRAX / FrontRunner to the Stadium for the playoffs. Just show the online code on your mobile device as your fare for transportation.

### **RE-ENTRY PROCEDURE**

- If a ticket holder wishes to leave the Stadium and come back in at a later time they will need to proceed to Gates A & L located at the southeast and southwest entrances of the venue. The Usher will then issue them a re-entry pass with the time written on the pass in which the ticket holder received the pass. The ticket holder must return to the Stadium within 30 minutes after the re-entry pass has been issued or they will not be allowed to re-enter the Stadium. The ticket holder must show their ticket as well as the re-entry pass to gain access to the Stadium.

- Ticket holders are welcome to stay for all of the games once they have purchased a ticket.

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