

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BAYFIELD CROWD CONTROL PROCEDURES**

The Board of Education has the responsibility for crowd control at on-site school-sponsored games/activities/events. That responsibility is delegated to the District Administrator or designee.

The District has the right to set reasonable crowd control rules and the responsibility to enforce compliance. School employees are typically held immune from liability when exercising good faith judgment while performing crowd control duties not specifically covered by written rules.

The Board of Education expects that employees, students and fans will behave in an orderly manner at school-sponsored games/activities/events. Attendees are expected to comply with school policy and game/activity/event rules. Crowd control personnel are expected to act in a way that models appropriate behavior.

### Rules

The following guidelines and regulations apply to School District of Bayfield school-sponsored games/activities/events.

1. A ticket or open invitation is a license to attend. It is not a property right and thus may be revoked without refund in the event of:
  - a. Disruptive or disorderly behavior
  - b. Noncompliance with school rules related to the game/activity/event
  - c. Refusal to cooperate with crowd control personnel or comply with requests.
  
2. The following personnel may be secured for crowd control. Their duties shall be:
  - a. School employees, administrators, teachers and support staff are to:
    - 1.) Enforce school rules and Board policy
    - 2.) Request assistance when dealing with a disorderly fan
    - 3.) Refer infraction of the law or statute violations to law enforcement officers
  - b. Law enforcement have:
    - 1.) Authority to act where there is violation of the law or policy
    - 2.) Statutory power to enforce reasonable crowd behavior
  
3. Crowd control personnel shall be assigned to school-sponsored games/activities/events as follows:
  - a. Games/activities/events must have a school employee designated as the supervisor responsible for crowd control
  - b. Additional crowd control personnel may be assigned to events where larger crowds are expected
  - c. Law enforcement officers may be retained when needed to help supervise games/activities/events involving tournament competition, rivalries or expected high attendance

4. The following procedures shall be followed at school-sponsored games/activities/events:
  - a. School regulations are to be announced prior to high-attendance games/activities/events
  - b. School crowd control personnel shall take the following steps to deal with a rules violation:
    - 1.) Identify him/herself and advise the fan of the violation. If a verbal warning fails, the fan may be asked to leave
    - 2.) If the fan refuses to cooperate, report the matter to the game manager who shall make the decision whether to contact law enforcement
    - 3.) No employee shall use physical force to correct a problem except when deemed reasonable and necessary to protect the safety of others
  - c. If law enforcement officers are present they are to:
    - 1.) Escort disruptive fans from the school premises
    - 2.) Enforce the law by acting solely in their capacity as a law enforcement officer
5. A written report to the Principal shall be made of a crowd control problem. The report will be overseen by the Athletic Director.

REFERENCES: Wisconsin Statutes §893.80; Wisconsin Statutes §895.46; and Wisconsin Statutes §118.31; as well as the Teacher Protection Act of 2001, 20 USC §6731-6738.

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