

Stroud Public Schools

“Home of the Tigers”

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To: Stroud Public School Patrons

This communication is to provide clarification on the recently implemented limit on attendance at youth indoor sporting events. The district position is in adherence to Governor Kevin Stitt’s Executive Order ([Eighth Amended Executive Order 2020-20](#)), filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on December 14, 2020, which states the following:

“...I direct as follows:...

Attendance at indoor youth sports and extracurricular activities, including those organized through or sponsored by a public or private school, shall be limited to four spectators per participant up to fifty percent (50%) of the building or area’s permitted occupancy as set forth in the Certificate of Occupancy or other building permit for use and occupancy of the building or area.”

We have received additional clarification from the OSSAA which is quoted as follows:

*“The Order calls for a limit of 50% of the building’s capacity **OR** a limit of four spectators per participant, whichever is lower.*

These limits do not include contest officials, schools’ administrators overseeing the contest, game operation personnel or school cheerleaders in uniform.”

While we certainly desire the support of all who wish to attend the activities of our students, we must follow the Governor’s order as stated, and further clarified by OSSAA, until such time as it expires or is modified in any manner. With regard to the ongoing basketball season, each student-athlete will be provided with four vouchers per event which may be provided to family or friends who wish to attend a particular game. Admittance will only be allowed for those in possession of a voucher, so as to follow the Governor’s stated order.

If we are provided additional guidance to alter this information we will act accordingly to address that guidance. We understand possible frustration and concerns and ask for your cooperation in working through the directives we have been provided.

Sincerely,

Joe L. Van Tuyl
Superintendent