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# OCEAN CITY HIGH SCHOOL

Dear OCHS Students and Families-

With the start of the school year quickly approaching and as we begin to host and travel to athletic contests, we would like to take this opportunity to remind our Raider Nation students and families of our expectations for these events both at home and on the road. Students in attendance at all events should remember that they have come to watch and support their fellow student-athletes and should always behave in a courteous and sportsmanlike manner and always conduct themselves appropriately.

Exhibiting school spirit in a positive manner is not only encouraged but expected. We expect the students and parents alike to applaud and recognize an outstanding play, be positive and refrain from making any derogatory remarks. The cheering sections are a direct reflection of our school, and we want to cheer on our teams in appropriate ways to exhibit our amazing school spirit.

Additionally, for the safety of our students and guests in attendance, with respect to bleacher etiquette specifically, the following rules will be implemented and enforced as per the NJSIAA and OCHS policies:

- No backpacks or bags will be permitted into the stadium.
- No refillable water bottles or open containers will be permitted. Water stations and cups will be provided for our guests and concessions will be available during the game.
- No noisemakers, bells, horns, or electronic speakers are permitted.
- No silly string, beach balls, smoke/vape/baby powder is permitted.
- No crowd surfing or lifting students off the ground or stacking of self/others in the elevated bleachers.
- Inappropriate items will be confiscated, and the spectator may be asked to leave.
- No items shall be thrown or tossed at any other spectator or any student-athlete, official, coach, or event staff member involved in a contest or supervising the contest. An immediate ejection from the venue will occur if items are tossed or thrown in the bleachers or towards the field of play.

Students are reminded that this is a school function, and all school rules will be enforced for any inappropriate behavior. We appreciate your cooperation and your presence at these events. It clearly demonstrates our commitment to supporting our student-athletes. We need your support and encourage you to help us make all our event's fun, safe, and enjoyable. We encourage you to speak to your student(s) about the expectations and help us create a positive environment for everyone to enjoy.

The OCHS Administrative Team thanks you for your cooperation and understanding. Go Red Raiders!!!