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CCPS Rival Week Kicks Off 2023 Football Season

JONESBORO - The fall athletic season has returned to Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS). The district's varsity football season opens this weekend with a series of four Rival Week games that will provide plenty of action.

It all begins on Friday, August 18, 2023, with Jonesboro HS and Mt. Zion HS meeting on Hines Ward Field at Tara Stadium in Jonesboro, and will continue in the panhandle at 12 Oaks Stadium in Lovejoy as Lovejoy HS takes on Mundy's Mill HS in the Big Cat Classic. Starting time for both games is 7:30 p.m. Action continues on Saturday, August 19, 2023, with the "Southside Classic," as Riverdale HS plays North Clayton HS at Southern Crescent Stadium while Morrow HS meets Forest Park HS on Hines Ward Field at Tara Stadium in Jonesboro. Starting time for both games is 7:30 p.m.

Stadium Notes: Spectators attending games at each stadium will enter the facility through digital walk through scanners and/or metal detectors. Bag searches will occur if necessary.

The Clayton County Public Schools' Athletic Department has adopted standards established by the National Football League as it relates to bags/totes being brought to all CCPS athletic events during the 2023-2024 school year. Each individual attending an athletic event will be limited to a single bag that must conform to the following:

- Bags/totes that are **clear plastic, vinyl or PVC** and do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12."
- All bags/totes will be checked at the gate prior to entering the stadiums.
- No buckles, grommets/hardware or décor can be concealing any part of the bag/tote – the bag/tote literally must be all clear.
- Attendees may also use a one-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziplock bag or similar)
- **No outside food or beverages will be allowed inside any of the four stadiums for the 2023 football season.**

All tickets for football games are \$7.00 and must be purchased online through GoFan at <https://gofan.co/> or by using the attached QRCode.

For a list of CCPS High School Sports for the week of August 14, please use the following link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PkioRP31kK244wnlTdnTqYU7jq9HxBt4?usp=sharing>

-An official document from the Clayton County Public School System-

About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.

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