



PROPOSAL FOR CATHEDRAL PREP HOCKEY @ THE MERCYHURST ICE CENTER:

In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Mercyhurst University, and the PIHL, this proposal intends to ensure the safety of all those participating on the ice, as well as facilitating the return of high school sports on the Mercyhurst University campus.

Game day Protocols:

1. Prior to each competition, Cathedral Prep student-athletes and staff, as well as the visiting school and officials, will conduct a temperature screening of all players within 2 hours of arriving on the Mercyhurst's campus. Anyone with a temperature above 100.2 will not be allowed to participate.
 - a. This will be sent to a designated Mercyhurst University Athletics administrator (Matt LaMalfa) prior to teams' arrival on campus. It can be sent through an email or text photo
 - b. If this is not done, teams will not be allowed to take the ice for competition.
2. Game day personnel will wear masks at all times.
 - a. Clock Operator
 - b. Public Address
 - c. Cathedral Prep Game Manager
 - d. Livestream (if applicable)
 - e. Door Monitors
 - f. Police (2 Required for Hockey)
3. Parking:
 - a. Officials and Cathedral Prep Game day staff will have reserved spaces
 - i. Officials will park in the four spots behind the Mercyhurst University bus parking. Spots will be marked with cones.
 - ii. These personnel will have a Cathedral Prep placard on their car to indicate they are there for the game and won't be ticketed by Police and Safety.
 - iii. All those who park at Mercyhurst University will have to complete the Mercyhurst Guest Screening: <https://go.mercyhurst.edu/register/covid19>
 - iv. A screen shot confirmation will be emailed to Mercyhurst Administration prior to entry to the Ice Center.
 - v. Handicap spots will be provided on Mercyhurst's campus if needed
 - b. Cathedral Prep players and coaches will park at as close to the Ice Center as possible and walk directly to the rink. Accessing other parts of campus is strictly prohibited.

- c. The opposing team will park as close as possible to the rink as well; bus parking will be provided if the visiting team requires it.
4. Locker rooms
 - a. Mercyhurst University will provide locker rooms for:
 - i. Cathedral Prep – MIC 5
 - ii. Visiting team – MIC 1&2
 - iii. Officials – MIC 3
 - iv. Symptomatic Player Quarantine Room – MIC 4
5. Masks:
 - a. Coaches and Gameday staff will wear a mask at all times in accordance with the Mercyhurst University policy.
 - b. Student athletes will be required to wear a mask when they remove their helmet, no masks are needed if they have their helmet on.
 - c. Officials will wear masks once they leave their cars until they enter the playing surface. As they leave the playing surface, they should have their masks on until they are back in their vehicles. Masks are encouraged during each faceoff.
 - d. All Fans will wear masks at all times and socially distance unless they are sitting with their family.
 - i. Failure to follow these protocols may result in an ejection from the game and potentially the suspension or cancellation of the contest.
6. Entering the ice for Athletes and Coaches:
 - a. Players and coaches from Cathedral Prep will come down the walkway from their locker room, entering the ice from that corner. Coaches should walk behind the net to access the home bench
 - b. Players from the visiting team should access the ice from the door behind the goal they defend twice. Coaches should walk around behind that same net to access the visitor's bench
 - c. Officials should access the ice from the visitor's bench door, prior to the teams having taken the ice.
7. During Play:
 - a. Police:
 - i. Two officers, hired by the home team, will be at the Mercyhurst Ice Center to monitor any fans trying to access the rink or view the game without permission from Mercyhurst University.
 - ii. If there are fans not on the pass list, who refuse to leave the venue, the game will be delayed or postponed.
 - b. Rink Amenities:
 - i. Water – will be available from bottle fillers located in the Ice Center. Cathedral Prep AT or game manager will be responsible for grabbing the water for both teams. Mercyhurst will not supply coolers or ice
 - ii. Restrooms: Team will be permitted to use bathroom facilities in their locker room, game personnel and fans will be permitted to use the restrooms in the MIC lobby.

- iii. Livestream:
 - 1. If they wish, Mercyhurst University will provide livestream feed and give links to Cathedral Prep to share with fans and parents.
 - 2. David Adamovage will be the contact for Livestream:
dadamovage@mercyhurst.edu
 - 3. There will be a \$50 charge per game for live streaming
- c. Press Box:
 - i. Press Box will be open for CP Gameday Personnel: Maximum 4 people will be allowed at one time.
 - ii. Sound system will be turned on for warm up music and public address.
 - iii. Game clock on the scoreboard will be available.
- d. Ill Players
 - i. If a player from either team begins to feel ill, they will be sent to a designated isolation room (Locker Room 4) until they can be retrieved by a parent or guardian. While they're in the room, player will have to be monitored by a member of the coaching staff.
- e. Media
 - i. If the media plans to attend, they must fill out the guest screening form before arrival and wear a mask at all times. Upon arrival, media will be granted access in order to complete their work. Prior to accessing the rink, all members of the media should complete the guest screening form:
<https://go.mercyhurst.edu/register/covid19>
 - ii. Prior to competition, Craig Butler will reach out to all local media outlets about the Mercyhurst University policies.
- 8. End of the Game:
 - a. Following the conclusion of the match, players, coaches, and officials will be asked to exit the ice the same way in which they entered.
 - b. Handshake lines following the game are strictly forbidden
 - c. Gameday personnel should exit through the MIC Lobby as soon as their game duties have been completed
 - d. Mercyhurst University will sanitize the team benches after teams leave the ice, as well as the visiting and officials locker rooms for a cleaning fee, \$35.

Fan & Security Protocol

1. List of all players/fans/spectators/and staff who will be present at Mercyhurst University should be given to Mercyhurst University Administration 24 hours prior to competition.
2. Set times in which fans can arrive should be determined 24 hours prior to competition.
3. CP spectators, players and coaches will park at the MIC parking lot and enter through the main MIC lobby. The side entrance closer to the Zamboni room will remain locked from the outside and should only be used in case of emergency.

4. CP will have a police officer in the lobby of the MIC and one staff member in the ticket area to prevent people from leaving the rink and walking around campus.
5. An Officer should also be roaming to observe fans follow all Mercyhurst policies.
6. The CP game manager will walk around the rink throughout the game to make sure all spectators are masked and maintaining six feet of physical distance.
7. Police and game day staff will monitor and direct people exiting Mercyhurst Ice Center and enforce mask-wearing.

Game Day Ticket Procedure & Protocol

1. In accordance with the State of Pennsylvania’s limit at outdoor gatherings (20% building capacity, **180** people will be allowed into the Mercyhurst Ice Center for Cathedral Prep Hockey

CP will list and categorize this number as follows:

- The first **28** people in attendance on game day are Cathedra Prep players, coaches, medical personnel, and managers.
 - The next **28** people will be the visiting team players (21), coaches (3), administration (2), medical personnel (1)
 - These numbers may be altered, depending the opponent and how many people they staff as players and coaches. This number will change on a weekly basis. CP will update M.U. on a weekly basis regarding the attendance number
 - The next **4** people are referees and linesman
 - The next **6** people will consist of the press box staff: announcer, clock operators, and (2) penalty box attendant.
 - The next **4** people will be those who are livestreaming the game and the game management staff.
 - **2** paramedics.
 - **6** game day staff: ticket-takers, security
 - **2** news media personnel.
2. This would leave a total number of **100** tickets to be distributed to “fans”.
 3. It is up to the host institution to decide how the 100 tickets are divided up
 4. Photo ID’s will be checked against the pass list at the ticket counter.
 5. **No ID, No admittance.**
 6. All policies are subject to change and will continue to be revisited regularly by Mercyhurst officials.

Acknowledged By: Cathedral Prep _____ Date _____

Mercyhurst University _____ Date _____