

# SAISD LET'S BE CLEAR! CAMPAIGN 2019-2020

#### **FAST FACTS:**

- The Let's Be Clear! campaign is only in effect at Alamo Stadium, Alamo Convocation Center, the Sports Complex, LAC, Mission Concepcion and the Natatorium.
- The Let's Be Clear! campaign applies to all events held in the stadium, gymnasiums, baseball and softball fields and the natatorium.
- If an elementary or middle school uses any of the Central Site locations listed above, the clear bag procedure IS still in effect.
- Small, hand sized bags that do not exceed 5.5" x 8"x1" in size do not have to be clear, but will be searched
- All bags, including clear, cannot exceed 12"x6"x12" in size.
- Exceptions to the size requirements and clear bag procedure only apply to diaper bags, medical health required bags and media personnel items (with valid credentials) that have been thoroughly searched prior to admittance.
- Clear bags may only have ONE logo that is not obstructing the contents. Printed or patterned clear bags will NOT be permissible
- All bags are subject to search

#### **FAQs**

### Does this procedure apply to elementary and middle schools?

No. However, should an elementary or middle school group use one of the Central Site stadiums, gyms or softball or baseball fields, the procedure will be in effect.

## Will my clear bag be checked as well?

Yes, all bags will be inspected at the gate. Having a clear bag will make the inspection process go faster.

# Where does the Let's Be Clear! campaign apply?

This procedure applies to Alamo Stadium, Alamo Convocation Center, the Sports Complex, LAC and Mission Concepcion

#### What happens if a guest shows up at the gate with a bag that is not permitted?

Guests will not be allowed to enter the venue with a non-conforming bag. Guests will be asked to return items to their vehicle.

#### Are all purses prohibited?

No. Small clutch purses, with or without a handle or strap, no larger than 5.5"x 8.8"x1" are permitted. Purses large than this will not be permitted.

## What about Diaper Bags?

Exceptions will be made for Diaper Bags, but will need to be thoroughly checked prior to admittance. Diaper bags will not be allowed for guests without a child present.

#### Can fans bring stadium seats or chair backs?

Fans are permitted to bring their own stadium seats or chair backs provided the seat does not have any pockets or zippers.

## Why has this clear bag campaign been adopted?

This policy is about improving the overall safety of our guests. This proactive measure will enhance safety inside and outside the stadium, gymnasiums, softball and baseball fields.

## Are other school districts limiting bags?

Yes, in fact, most surrounding school districts already have a clear bag procedure, including Northeast, Comal, and Judson school districts. All major universities and event centers also have clear bag policies.

## How does the new Clear Bag campaign improve public safety?

The clear bag is easily and quickly searched. It also supports the Department of Homeland Security's "If you See Something, Say Something" campaign.

## How many bags may each person bring into the stadium?

One large clear bag – either a one gallon clear resealable plastic bag or a 12'x6"x12" clear bag, plus a small clutch. The larger clear bag must be the standard 12"x6"x12" made of clear PVC vinyl and visually searchable. The small clutch allows privacy for small personal items and is also easily searched.

## Can smartphones, tablets, binoculars or cameras be carried separately from the clear bag?

Yes. Phones, cameras or binoculars may be carried by hand. Cases for these items are not allowed.

#### If I have special medical equipment I need to have with me at all times, where do I put that?

An exception will be made for items required for medical purposes after proper inspection at designated areas.

#### Can I bring a blanket?

Yes, but it will need to be inspected at the gate/entrance

## Do I have to put everything I am carrying into a clear bag?

No. The limit is on the type of bags carried into the venue, not items that you normally bring to a game. You may carry items in your pockets or jacket (keys, makeup, feminine products, comb, phone, wallet, credit cards, etc.) if you choose to not put them in a clear bag or clutch.

#### Will clear bags be available for purchase?

Yes. School branded clear bags can be purchased by your high school's booster club. You may also provide your own clear bag as long as it meets the criteria.