



Garrison Independent School District

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Garrison ISD Community,

Beginning December 4, Senate Bill 8, often referred to as the “Bathroom Bill” went into effect. This new law impacts all public schools and requires districts to follow specific procedures regarding the designation and use of private spaces such as locker rooms and restrooms.

A multiple-occupancy private space may be temporarily designated as a non-private space. Temporary redesignation of a space may be warranted for coaching, instruction, rehearsal, training, and medical care, media coverage, parent visits, or other purposes approved by the Superintendent.

Appropriate campus or District officials will notify affected staff, participating students, and participating students’ parents of a general Schedule of approximate times immediately before, during, and after practices, rehearsals, events, and competitions in which specific spaces will be designated non-private.

To ensure the privacy of student participants and others is respected, consistent protocols will be followed as the space changes from a designated private space to a non-private space.

A clear announcement will be made to ensure that no one is in a state of undress, and occupants are placed on notice that the space is in a non-private status. Temporary signage must be posted at or near the entrance of the space during these times.

Locker Room Temporary non-private space times

(15 min) before the start of the athletic competition

(10 min) Half-time meetings

(15 min) after the end of the athletic competition

(20 min) after the conclusion of practice

The designations allow coaches the ability to handle their responsibilities with their teams such as pregame, halftime and postgame meetings without infringing on the privacy of students in these settings. Garrison ISD will continue to strive to maintain a safe and secure environment for our students.

Thank you,

Reid Spivey
Superintendent Garrison ISD