

We look forward to hosting all of you at Davis Wade Stadium on Saturday for the 2020 MSU Football season. Please also visit HailState.com/gameday for more information on COVID guidelines and protocols inside Davis Wade Stadium this season.

Parking

- Map and directions to the media grass lot can be found below.
- You should have received an email from Brandon Langlois with your printable parking pass.

Media Check-In/Will Call

- Media can pick up credentials starting three hours prior to kickoff at the tent in the Barnes and Noble parking lot across from Gate C (media entrance to stadium).
- Please be prepared to show valid ID when picking up credentials.
- Approved media received a COVID screening form on Friday that must be completed in order to receive credentials Saturday.

Media Entrance

• The media entrance/Media Will Call of Davis Wade Stadium opens two hours and 15 minutes prior to kickoff at Gate C (SW side of the stadium across from Barnes and Noble).

Press Box Access

- The Robert M. Hartley Press Box, named for longtime Mississippi State Sports Information Director and administrator Bob Hartley, is located on the 200 level of the west side of Davis Wade Stadium.
- To access the press box, enter Gate C on the west side of Davis Wade Stadium and take the media elevator to Level 2.
- Please be prepared for an extended wait time for elevators.
- Press box seating will be socially distanced, and media members must wear a face covering at all times, including when seated in the press box. Every seat in the press box is assigned this season, including the lounge areas.
- Boxed meals will be provided. You are asked to pick up your meal and beverage and return to your assigned seat.
- In an effort to reduce contact points, MSU will not provide printed materials such as game notes or statistics. Such information will be made available online.

Metal Detectors/Bag Check

- All bags will be searched and tagged when you enter Davis Wade Stadium at Gate C.
- All media must enter through Gate C.
- The clear bag policy does NOT apply to credentialed media but your bags will be searched and tagged.
- Metal detectors will be stationed at all gates of Davis Wade Stadium and media must go through metal detector protocols before walking through Gate C.

Pool Photo/Video Access (Advise that you set up your accounts on Friday)

- Highlights, Photos & Press Conferences: The SEC and XOS Digital will provide a platform for distribution of game highlights, game photos and press conference content.
- Highlights from all SEC football games will be available via the SEC Media Portal. Whenever school postgame press conferences are available, they will be posted to the portal as well.
- Still photography will be available in the portal for the media at halftime and following each SEC football game and video will be available after each game.
- The SEC Media Access Guidelines continue to apply to this content and are outlined in the 2020 credentialing registration process.



To request access to the SEC Media Portal and create an account, contact: <u>licensing@xosdigital.com</u>.

Postgame Interviews

• Home and Visiting team postgame press conferences will be conducted virtually via zoom. A link to each team's press conference will be provided in advance.

Photographers and Videographers/Sideline Access

- Consistent with SEC guidelines, the only media members permitted at field level (other than the presenting broadcast network) will be two pool photographers/videographers.
- Aside from the pool photographers/videographers, approved university staff and the televising network, no other media representatives are permitted on the sideline. This includes all times, including pregame, halftime and postgame, as well as during competition.
- At no time may a non-institutional media photographer/videographer come within 6 feet of the bench area or move behind the bench area.
- Four non-institutional media photographers have been credentialed to shoot from the stands at a designated location (contact Brandon Langlois 601-405-5650 or BLanglois@athletics.msstate.edu to confirm your designated location).
- All photographers and videographers must wear vests provided at media check-in/will call.

Directions to Media Grass Lot

University Dr.

- At the intersection of Hwy 1-82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. and North Montgomery St. turn south onto North Montgomery St.
- At the intersection on North Montgomery St. and University Dr. turn left onto University Dr.
- Stay on University Dr. until you reach the intersection of Barr Ave. and Bost Extension DR.
- Note *University drive becomes Barr Ave.
- At the intersection of Bost Extension Dr. and Barr Ave continue straight through the intersection on Barr Ave., and turn right into the first lot on your right. Park in the grass lot to the right. Attendants will instruct you on where to park.
- Note if the road is blocked off, show the attendant your Media Grass Parking Pass to continue to Media Parking.

Stone Blvd.

- At the intersection of Hwy 12 and Russell St./Stone Blvd. turn east onto Stone Blvd.
- Shortly after you turn onto Stone Blvd.. turn left onto Bost Extension Dr.
- At the intersection of Bost Extension Dr. and Barr Ave. turn right onto Barr Ave.
- On Barr Ave. turn right into the first parking lot on the right and park in the Grass parking lot on the right. The attendants will instruct you on where to park.

