



Hello Wolfpack,

I hope everyone is remaining safe and healthy during the unprecedented Covid crisis. These have been trying times for sure as we have learned to adapt and forge ahead while following the guidelines that help keep us healthy. During this time away from school and Wolfpack Football, there has been a significant change to the sub varsity structure of our program. This document describes that change as well as aims to answer some common questions that many parents and players may have.

Plano ISD's athletic department reached out to the UIL and requested permission to combine our sophomore teams from Jasper High School and Shepton High School into one JVII team from Plano West Senior High. The UIL has granted our request and that will be the plan moving into the fall of 2020. As you might imagine, there will be a few changes to the sophomores' daily schedules. Those changes are outlined below as well as some additional information to consider if your student is a sophomore.

### **Significant Changes**

- All sophomore football players will take the shuttle bus after 6th period to Plano West for their daily 7th period.
  - Practices will be held at the Plano West practice fields north of the school
    - A weekly schedule will practice times will be provided
  - 2 Coaches from Jasper and 2 from Shepton will coach the sophomores at West
  - Sophomore football players will locker in the Plano West football locker room
    - Lockers and locks will be distributed by the Plano West staff
  - The sophomore team will wear Plano West uniforms on game nights
    - You may see this team referred to as Plano West JVII or JV Blue
  - Sophomores will be picked up from practices and games at Plano West in the bus lane on the north side of the school

### **Items to Consider**

- *Tutorials* - Student athletes who choose to participate are expected to maintain their grades while working around the requirements of the football program
  - Athletes must take advantage of morning tutorial times and block lunch tutorials each day to avoid missing time in athletics at West
    - *It will not be acceptable for a student-athlete to miss 7th period football and practice to stay at their home campus for after school tutorials*
- *Absences* - If a Sophomore student-athlete is going to miss practice, they or a parent will need to contact a JV Blue team coach or Tyler Soukup, Head Coach at Plano West.
- *Discipline* - The expectation to be great men at school remains. Sophomore football players who have disciplinary issues will face administrative consequences at their home campus as well as athletic consequences at Plano West.

Thank you for your continued support of Plano West Wolfpack Football.

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