



# OHIO STATE FOOTBALL

## 2023 FACULTY AND STAFF TICKET INFORMATION

### ORDERING PERIOD November 17, 2022– March 1, 2023

#### 1. ORDER PROCESS & PAYMENT

- Eligible faculty/staff members may apply for 2 full season (all home games) ticket packages beginning on **November 17, 2022**. The deadline for faculty/staff members to apply for tickets is **March 1, 2023 at 5:00pm ET**. No exceptions to the deadline will be granted. The OSU Athletics Ticket Office requires all season ticket holders to apply for their season tickets online.
- All eligible faculty/staff members will automatically be e-mailed 2023 ordering information to the e-mail address currently on record in their ticket office account. All eligible renewing faculty/staff members will be able to apply for 2 full season tickets.
- If demand exceeds the supply available in the faculty/staff allotment, the Department of Athletics reserves the right to reduce full season package orders to refund orders entirely based on faculty/staff points system.
- Faculty/Staff members will have the alternative option of purchasing tickets (at full price) to home games via a single game online presale in August. Detailed instructions for this ticket option will be communicated to all eligible faculty/staff members via email closer to the start of the season.
- **Payment Plan Options for 2023:** Faculty/Staff members will have multiple different payment plan options that go up to 10 month options, all which will require a minimum down payment at the time their order is placed. All faculty/staff members who choose extended payment plans should have funds available when the ticket office attempts to charge credit cards.
- **Multiple Month Payment Plans:** Divides the total due into equal installments. The first installment will be due at the time the order is submitted, and the remaining balance will be charged automatically in subsequent monthly installments.
- **Pay in Full:** Pay the entire balance due at the time the order is submitted.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY

- Each regular or auxiliary faculty member, or regular or term staff member, if appointed by January 31 of the current year, is eligible to apply.
- Individuals employed after January 31, 2022 until January 31, 2023 will be sent ordering information in early February, 2023.
- Retired faculty and staff are eligible to apply for two tickets provided they have 25 years of service or emeritus status with The Ohio State University prior to retirement. (Early buyout does not qualify towards years of service)
- If you retired from the university prior to January 31, 2022, with 25 years of service or more with the university, and did not purchase tickets for the 2022 season, please email the following information to [athletic.tix@osu.edu](mailto:athletic.tix@osu.edu) to have your faculty/staff ticket account activated for ticket purchasing: Full Name, OSU Employee ID#, Home Address, Mobile Phone, Email Address, Department

#### 3. PRICING INFORMATION AND DISCOUNTED TICKET POLICY

Detailed season ticket and single game ticket pricing for the 2023 season can be found [here](#).

The Athletic Council and Department of Athletics believe it is important that discounted tickets be used by the original purchaser or by someone within the same category, and, in principle, access to athletic event tickets at a discounted price is a privilege extended to members of the university community.

#### **PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE FACULTY/STAFF SEASON TICKET DISCOUNT RATE ONLY, NO UPGRADED NEEDED**

Faculty/Staff may purchase their season ticket package at the faculty/staff discounted rate of 20% off the single game ticket price and the Per Seat Contribution.

- **OSU IDs will not need to be shown for entry to the games.**
- **Faculty/Staff tickets will be eligible for online ticket management (transfer, resale, mobile).**
- All season tickets will be subject to [new ticket pricing and applicable Per-Seat Contributions](#) under the Buckeye Club Modernization plan. Each price zone has a unique ticket price and corresponding per-seat contribution based upon the seat location. Faculty/Staff receive a 20% discount on the corresponding per-seat contribution and an approximate 20% discount on the cost for two season tickets. Faculty/Staff have priority to select seats in current Faculty/Staff sections. The Faculty/Staff discount is limited to two tickets per account.
- [Several price zones](#) will be available for purchase during the season ticket purchase period. The prices shown on the purchase page will reflect the season ticket cost as well as the per-seat contribution for each zone. Opting into a specific price level does not guarantee that seats in that price level/zone will be available during your specific seat selection window. You may select any available faculty/staff seats during your selection window and the difference in price (if any) will be reflected as a charge or a refund to the card originally used at purchase.

#### 4. FACULTY/STAFF PRIORITY POINT SYSTEM

Ohio State's Athletic Council has established a point system for faculty/staff ticket distribution and seating assignments.

- Regular and auxiliary faculty members are awarded points based on rank, plus years of service (one point per year).
- Regular and Term staff members are awarded points based on their salary schedule, plus years of service (one point per year).
- Part-time faculty and staff will receive points based on the criteria above multiplied by their percentage of FTE.
- No-salary appointees (i.e. 0% FTE) will not be awarded priority points.
- Eligible retirees (as defined in #2 above): Once a faculty or staff member retires, the total amount of points accrued based on rank or salary, respectively, will be frozen, and service points will be recalculated and awarded a half point per year of service, regardless if they are rehired at a later date.
- Refer to **page 3 of this document** for a more detailed explanation of the faculty/staff point system.
- Questions regarding faculty/staff point calculations should be directed to [athletic.tix@osu.edu](mailto:athletic.tix@osu.edu).

## 5. FACULTY/STAFF SEAT ASSIGNMENTS

- Faculty/Staff full season ticket holders will select their own seats online using the [Ohio State Football Virtual Venue](#) interactive seat map. Customers must submit ticket orders during the outlined ordering period; seat selection windows will be assigned based on faculty/staff priority points and will be communicated via email in April. Refer to <https://ohiostatebuckeyes.com/tickets/seat-selection-process/> for more information. Faculty/Staff full season ticket holders are required to select their seats each season.
- Faculty/Staff members with permanent or temporary disabilities should indicate whether they need special seating in the “Seating Requests” section while completing the online ordering process. Anyone requesting ADA accessible seating will be required to submit a [Disability Needs Form](#) to be assigned accessible seats. The Disability Needs Form can be filled out online or returned to our office, but accessible seating will not be assigned until the form is received. **Disability Needs forms must be submitted by the renewal deadline.**
  - Customers requiring ADA accessible seats will receive instructions from the Athletics Ticket Office regarding their seat selection options once their ADA needs form has been received.
- GROUP SEATING or SEAT-WITH REQUESTS:
  - Full season ticket holders should refer to the Seat Selection Process information at <https://ohiostatebuckeyes.com/tickets/seat-selection-process/selection-process/> for more info on group seating.
- **No refunds will be issued to faculty/staff members who are unhappy with their seat location.**

## 6. IMPORTANT NOTES / POLICIES

- Submitting a faculty/staff ticket order is not a guarantee you will receive tickets. If ticket orders exceed the supply available in the faculty/staff allotment, orders will be filled for those with the highest priority points first.
- Faculty/Staff that apply for season tickets during the presale period, but discontinue their employment with The Ohio State University prior to the beginning of the football season, are ineligible to receive faculty/staff discounted tickets and will be issued a refund.
- A \$40 non-refundable processing fee will be added to all ticket orders. (Ticket orders refunded due to insufficient points will be refunded the processing fee.)
- Change of account information: It is the responsibility of the account holder to keep the Athletic Ticket Office informed of any changes to their account. After logging in to your Ohio State Buckeyes Account, click ACCOUNT SETTINGS and confirm that the information listed on your account is correct. Please keep the email address on your account profile current to ensure that you receive season renewal notices and other ticket updates.
- **All tickets for the 2023 Ohio State Football season tickets will be mobile.** Please visit our [Ohio State Digital Ticketing Guide](#) for helpful tips and detailed information.
- Every person, regardless of age, must have a ticket to enter Ohio Stadium. Lap tickets are available for children under 2 and can be purchased for \$10, on game days only, at Gate 5 at Ohio Stadium.
- **You may lose your ticket privileges if (a) you have engaged in conduct that is determined, by either OSU or the NCAA, to be in violation of any NCAA rules or if, in OSU’s reasonable discretion, you have otherwise taken any action that jeopardizes the eligibility of OSU’s programs or its student athletes; or (b) you have transferred your ticket(s) in such a way that has proven to be detrimental to the ticket recipient(s) and/or Ohio State.**

## 7. AWAY GAME TICKETS

To be eligible for away game tickets, faculty/staff members must purchase the full season ticket package and meet all other eligibility requirements. **The faculty/staff away game ticket sale will be conducted at a TBA date in 2023. Prices and ticket availability will be communicated to eligible faculty/staff members via email closer to the away game sale date.** Tickets will be limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

## FACULTY & STAFF POINT SYSTEM FOR BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL TICKETS

Ohio State's Athletic Council (AC) uses a priority point system to rank its faculty and staff (including retirees) with the total number of points determining football and men's basketball ticket eligibility and seating assignments. The priority point system, which has been in effect for decades, provides a systematic, orderly, and fair process for order fulfillment and seat assignment from the faculty/staff pool of tickets.

### Eligibility

Each regular, or auxiliary faculty member, principal or senior administrative officer, professional staff member, regular unclassified professional staff, or Classified Civil Service staff member, if appointed by January 31 of the current year, is eligible to apply. Retired faculty and staff are eligible to apply, provided they have 25 years of service or emeritus status prior to retirement.

Eligible faculty and staff will be limited to two full season ticket packages from the faculty/staff pool. Faculty, staff, and retirees may continue to receive additional tickets as a result of purchasing season tickets at the general public price, based on availability. Once a faculty, staff member, or retiree deceases, all ticket privileges from the faculty/staff pool cease.

### Regular Faculty Points

Regular faculty appointed on full-time tenure, clinical, or research tracks will be awarded points based on rank plus years of service (one point per year). Points for rank are as follows:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Points</b>
Professor	35
Associate professor	30
Assistant professor	25
Instructor	20

### Auxiliary Faculty Points

Auxiliary faculty (including adjunct, some clinical, visiting professors, lecturers) shall receive points based on rank plus years of service (one point/year). Points based on rank are as follows:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Points</b>
Professor	20
Associate professor	15
Assistant professor	10
Instructor and Lecturer	5

### Staff Points

Regular staff receive points based on salary plus years of service, with one point awarded for every year of service for 100% FTE appointments. Points based on salary are as follows:

<b>Sextile</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	35
2	30
3	25
4	20
5	15
6	10

where sextile 1 is the one-sixth of staff with the highest salaries and 6 the lowest. The sextile breakpoints are recalculated each year.

Staff in the lower two ranges with 10 or more full-time-equivalent (FTE) years of service get an additional 5 points added to their total. If any staff member's salary increases, but the person would lose points in successive years due to movement in the salary sextile breakpoints, then that staff member's points for the given year will be equal to an average of the points earned that and the two previous years.

### **Part-time Faculty and Staff Points**

Part-time faculty and staff will receive points based on the percentage of FTE; e.g., someone appointed at a 70% FTE will receive points (rounded down to the nearest integer) for rank (or salary) and years of service x 0.7 and correspondingly a 30% FTE appointment will have rank (or salary) and years of service x 0.30. Some employees, such as visiting and adjunct professors and some clinical staff at the dental clinic and OSU Medical Center are not paid directly by Ohio State, and are considered no-salary appointees, or 0% FTE, and thus the point reduction calculation results in 0 points for this group.

### **Retiree Points**

Retired faculty and staff are eligible to apply for two tickets provided they have 25 FTE years of service or emeritus status with The Ohio State University prior to retirement (early buyout, medical disability, and student employment does not qualify towards years of service).

Once a faculty or staff person retires, the total amount of points accrued based on rank or salary, respectively, will be frozen, no matter if the faculty/staff member is rehired at a later date. At cessation of employment, service points for emeritus and retired faculty and staff will be recalculated and awarded a half point for every full year of service.

### **Loyalty Bonus**

A bonus of 0.1 point is credited for each consecutive year of the preceding 10 that the person has purchased tickets up to a maximum of 0.9 points. Since the point threshold for buying tickets is an integer, this bonus will not affect eligibility to receive a ticket package, but will have an impact on seat assignments within a group with equal points.