2025 EMU FOOTBALL HOMECOMING PARKING PLAN

PURPOSE:

Creating a Safer Tailgating Atmosphere: To promote a safer tailgating atmosphere and minimize the overlap of cars and pedestrians, EMU has implemented the following procedures:

Increased Security and Parking Services: EMU has partnered with MTS for enhanced security coverage in all parking lots on game day. The EMU ROTC will also play a crucial role in parking coverage.

PARKING BASICS:

Homecoming Tailgate Package: For \$75, fans can purchase the Homecoming Tailgate Package, which includes:

- Ability to reserve a Premium Tailgating Space with room for a large tent and grill setup.
- Early access to reserve a space and set up during the day of Friday, Sep. 19.
- Overnight security within the Rynearson Lots to protect tents and tailgate equipment.
- Setup Procedures:
 - Fans who have purchased this pass can set up their tailgate space between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Friday, Sep. 19, overseen and staffed by EMU Athletics Staff and Security. Tents can be set up within the grass areas inside the Rynearson Lots, which will be secured and monitored by MTS Security. Pass holders can re-enter the lots for tailgating five hours prior to kickoff on Saturday, Sep. 20, prior to the general fans, which will begin at a to be determined time.

Parking Fee: All cars entering the Rynearson Stadium parking lot will be charged a \$10 fee (cash only) on game day, except those with a <u>valid game ticket</u> (must be shown at entry).

Student Tickets: EMU students can obtain a free ticket using the EMU Student Ticket Link (TO BE ADDED).

Recreational Vehicles: Recreational Vehicles are designated to park in the VIP Lot and are required to have a VIP Parking Pass (\$90 for RVs). All recreational vehicles that plan to arrive prior to game day need to coordinate their arrival with the EMU Athletic Ticket Office.

PARKING TIMELINE:

Friday, Sep. 19

9 a.m. - Lots open for Homecoming Tailgate Package holder setup

6 p.m. - Lots close for Homecoming Tailgate Package holders

7 p.m. - Lots closed and locked for the night

Saturday, Sept. 20

TBD - Lots staffed (Lots locked before 8 a.m.)

Five Hours Prior To Kickoff - Early access for fans who purchased the Homecoming Tailgate Package (One Car Per Package)

TBD - Lots open for general fans

TBD - Eagle Walk / Team Arrival

TBD - Stadium Gates Open

TBD - Kickoff

Auxiliary Parking Lots: Grass Lots at the North and South ends of the main Rynearson Lots, Intramural Field Lots, and George Gervin GameAbove Center Staff lot will be used for additional general parking.

Family Tailgate Zone

EMU will designate corners at the North and South ends of the Rynearson Lots for a "Family Tailgate Zone" that includes:

- General Parking & Tailgates in the middle.
- Family Parking & Tailgate Zone on the outer edges.
- Limited tent size (10 foot x 10 foot).
- No reserving spots.