

**PSA Outdoor Sports Safety Program
COVID-19 REQUIRED PROTOCOLS
Effective Fall 2021**

Applies to all PSA Youth Outdoor Sports programs including Soccer, Baseball, Softball, Football, Cheerleading. Facilities include City of Plano Venues, City of Murphy Venues, and PSA McKinney.

Requirements are listed below for COVID-19 protocols related to PSA Outdoor programming when at any of the above locations. The requirements apply to Teams, Coaches, Parents, Players, Game Officials, Spectators, Administrators, Vendors, etc. related to PSA programming.

Your cooperation is essential to promote safety to all participants involved with PSA programming. If anyone is uncomfortable or unable to comply with the Safety Protocol requirements, then you are requested to not attend the programs.

Requirements

- 1) Face Masks: Should be worn at all times by Teams, Coaches, parents, players, game officials, spectators, administrators, and other park attendees on paved surface areas of each sports complex including plazas, entryways, exits, restrooms and adjacent areas, concessions areas, walkways to and between fields, etc. Concrete areas include bleachers for spectators, scorekeeper tables, picnic tables, playgrounds, benches, and temporary seating such as chairs behind ball field backstops/fencing. Social Distancing is required as well, but not an acceptable substitute for the above listed areas.**

Face Mask exceptions: By Team players, coaches, game officials while occupying field of play, team benches, dugouts during games or during warm-up activities prior to the game in designated warm-up areas. Face mask is not required when spectator or attendee has a medical condition or is less than 10 years of age.

- 2) Social Distancing of 6 feet is requested in all areas of the venues including grass and paved areas**

Our PSA Safety Program includes other elements below and we ask everyone to understand and observe the guidelines before they leave their homes to attend a PSA event. Our purpose is safety first and we want to ensure all parents and guardians recognized the enhanced risks of being in contact with anyone age 65 or older for 10 days after attending a sport event or practice.

We ask for everyone's cooperation.

Prior to Practices or Games

- All Adults to ensure the players and themselves are healthy by checking temperature before activities with others. Do not attend trainings or games if anyone is exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 such as fever, cough, difficulty breathing, or other symptoms identified by the CDC.**

- Players or Adults should not attend trainings or games if they have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 within the past 14 days.
- Parents and Players should remain in their car until the field and sidelines of previous events have cleared.
- Parents should be at least 6 feet from other non-family spectators and should not approach non-family players. You can bring your own chair if you plan to sit outside and MUST position yourself 6 feet from others.
- Bring your own hand sanitizer to trainings and games and use when not on the field.
- Ensure the player has his/her own equipment (ball, water, bag, etc.) and is told not to share with others. Use of personal batting gloves is suggested

Safety at Games and Practices

- Number of coaches not to exceed four per team who are participating in the game.
- Coaches avoid clusters of players and should use a mask when speaking to the players.
- Water bottles should have players name on it. No Spitting.
- Game Officials should wear masks during pre-game and post-game. Distance themselves in pre-game meetings.
- Coaches consider disinfect (Lysol or wipes) bats, balls, and equipment prior and after the game.
- Keep Player belongings separate.
- Notify your coach or manager immediately if the player becomes ill for any reason.
- **Do NOT engage in handshaking, hugs, high fives, during training or games.**
- Personal Umbrella or Canopy's may be used and 6' social distancing must be observed.

We all must be mindful of one another and work together to follow the guidelines to ensure the safety of all those who attend practices and games. Please let us know if you have any questions or need clarification on the guidelines.

Thank you for your cooperation.