

PSSSA CO-ED PANDEMIC RULES

ANY PLAYER OR GUEST WHO REFUSES TO FOLLOW THESE RULES WILL BE EJECTED FROM THE COMPLEX FOR THE GOOD OF EVERYONE ELSE IN THE PARK. THE TEAM MANAGER/COACH WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING THESE RULES. IF THE TEAM MANAGER/COACH DOES NOT ENFORCE THE RULES THE GAME WILL BE CALLED AS A FORFEIT. REPEATED OFFENSES WILL BE CAUSE FOR THE TEAM OR PLAYER TO BE DROPPED FROM THE LEAGUE. BEING VACCINATED DOES NOT CHANGE THE RULES.

As Team Manager for _____

I agree to enforce these rules _____

THE GAME:

1. Base coaches and umpires are required to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth.
2. It is encouraged that base runners, and infielders wear face coverings.
3. The on-deck batter or a player assigned by the offensive team will be responsible for picking up the bat, by the barrel, not the handle, after it is used.
4. The handle of any shared bat should be sterilized each time it is shared, including sterilizing the hands of each batter.
5. No gloves or other equipment should be shared.
6. Pitching screens should be carried off and onto the field by the pitcher.

DUGOUT:

1. Players will be required to wear face coverings in the dugout and maintain 6 feet of separation from other players.
2. Players are encouraged to be outside the dugout but not on the field of play because of the inherent danger of being hit by a foul ball.
3. When one team leaves the dugout, next team will need to wait until all players have exited, then enter.
4. The team leaving the dugout will police the dugout and get rid of trash, especially empty drinking containers.

CONTACT BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER GAMES AND PERSONAL HYGIENE:

1. **Spectators and Players** in the stands, the central part of the complex, or using the restrooms **MUST** wear face coverings and maintain social distancing of 6 feet.
2. **Before and between** games players must not congregate in the dugout and must sit or stand along the outfield fence with spectators.
3. **Managers** will be responsible for keeping any sick player or players in quarantine out of the facility.
4. **Most important:** Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. Wash your hands often, using soap and water for at least 20 seconds each time.
5. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
6. A “**no-contact, no-handshake policy**” will be observed. This includes all physical contact and extends to customary game-related activities, such as umpire-coach introduction, high-fiving or fist bumping, and post-game handshakes between members of opposing teams.