

## **GSA Post Covid-19 Guidelines**

Please see below guidelines and policies for all 2020 events. These are in conjunction with local and state requirements and recommendations for social distancing. We will take every step necessary to ensure everyone's safety. The most important thing for us, is to provide a fun competitive experience on the diamond, but also provide a safe and healthy environment for players, coaches, parents, spectators and ball field personnel.

## **GSA Staff**

- GSA will send out a event email to all teams coaches, staff, officials, players, parents know that any person who is experiencing symptoms of sickness will be prohibited from attending the event.
- All GSA staff members will wear mask while communicating with customers within six-foot distance.
- GSA will be limiting the amount of teams entered into the events and will schedule games with adequate buffer times between games to allow spectators, players and coaches to enter and exit the facility with limited interaction.
- We will collect spectator fees prior to the event and will not charge admission fees at the tournament to limit one on one contact as well as limit social distancing at gates.
- GSA staff members will wipe down and sanitize all dugouts and bleachers after each game.

## **FANS**

- If a participant or spectator has been exposed to a person with COVID-19 within the past 14 days, or is feeling well they should stay home.
- Fans are to be at least 6' apart at all times unless related.
- No fans will be allowed to sit behind home plate. Behind home plate area will be closed to all fans and should be closed off by caution tape.
- All spectators must bring their own chairs as all bleachers will be closed and used for social distancing for coaches and players only.
- Spectators may bring tents, but tents will be limited to immediate family only.
- No spitting seeds or gum are permitted on grounds.
- We highly recommend that all Coaches, Umpires, Participants and Spectators bring and use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol and USE FREQUENTLY.

## **Players & Coaches**

- Players and coaches will have designated areas during the game to keep everyone spread out.
- Bleachers will be assigned to the teams for coaches and players to keep social distance due to dugouts being to small.
- No Handshakes, fist bumps or high-fives before, during or after the game. Coaches should ensure that players are adhering to social distancing in dugouts and other seating areas.
- Whenever possible, equipment and personal items should have proper separation and not be shared.



- We encourage all parents to supply their players with antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer for disinfecting between innings.
- Players, Coaches and Umpires must bring their own water bottles. NO TEAM COOLERS
- Players and Coaches can wear PPE items if they choose to do so. Make sure those items do not inhibit a player's safety while participating on field.
- Plate meeting will require coaches and umpires to use the 6' social distancing policy. Staff members will collect and exchange line ups to umpires, coaches, and score keepers. Staff members will wear a mask for these exchanges. Any communication concerning game and line ups will require 6' social distancing policies.
- NO Post game meetings. If you are not playing back to back games then all fans, players and coaches need to exit the facility immediately after the conclusion of the game to cut down on foot traffic in the same area.
- No spitting seeds or gum are permitted on grounds.
- Teams should clean their dugout or team area of all trash and other items after each game.
- Award ceremonies: All awards will be sanitized before presentations. Staff members
  presenting the awards will be required to wear mask and gloves. Team and individual
  pictures are encouraged. No mixed team pictures will be allowed.
- All coaches should print the RETURN TO PLAY Waiver forms off the website, distribute to all
  parents of all players on your team and collect prior to the event. All waivers along with a
  printed copy of your online roster should be given to the tournament director upon arrival to
  the park so that all parents and players are allowed to enter the facilities.