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#### **WAYA SPORTS COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOL**

As the country begins to recover from the pandemic, our state and local authorities have released guidance that allows youth sports leagues to resume activities. We are excited about the prospect of bringing youth sports back to our kids, families, and communities. However, we also firmly believe it's important to maintain incredibly high standards for safety and health during this tenuous time of reopening our society. As such, we plan to restart WAYA's Summer Sports Programming but under strict guidelines outlined by the CDC, Texas Department of State Health Services, and Austin Park and Recreation Department.

The health and safety of our athletes, staff, volunteers, and community remain our highest priority. Below, you will find a summary of actions we are taking to help ensure we are lowering COVID-19 risk as much as possible while also allowing our athletes to play. We are committed to the following COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocol.

#### **WAYA Staff Protocol**

- COVID-19 safety training for all staff
- Daily Self Assessment of COVID-19 Symptoms<sup>[1]</sup>
- Daily Temperature Check. Denial of entrance if temperature is 99.6 or higher.
- Hand Washing or use of 60%+ alcohol hand sanitizer upon Entry to the facility is Required
- Physical Distancing (6 feet) when at all possible
- Personal Protective Equipment, such as masks, are **required for staff** when not engaged in physical activity

#### **WAYA Athlete, Volunteer Coach, and Spectator Protocol**

- Adults must conduct an assessment of COVID-19 Symptoms<sup>[1]</sup> prior to arriving for themselves and any participants or spectators. Anyone showing COVID-19 symptoms must stay home.
- WAYA Staff and/or Team Head Coach must confirm compliance of temperature check and symptom assessment prior to practices or games.
- Hand Washing or use of 60%+ alcohol hand sanitizer upon entry to the facility is Required
- Physical Distancing (6 feet) when at all possible
- Personal Protective Equipment, such as masks, are **optional for athletes** when not engaged in physical activity
- Personal Protective Equipment, such as masks, are **required for volunteers and spectators**, unless one of the exceptions apply as outlined in Section 1 of Order Number 20200617-14 issued by the Mayor of the City of Austin
- Athletes, coaches, and spectators are responsible for providing their own water (or other hydration) bottle. Water fountains will be closed and no team water coolers or shared drinks/snacks are allowed.

#### **WAYA Youth Sport Facility Care**

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- WAYA will have assigned staff members who are responsible for routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces in our facility's common use areas, bathrooms, as well as, as our fields, and courts, at least daily, or between use as feasible.
- WAYA will limit the sharing of equipment between athletes as much as possible; however, when sharing of equipment is unavoidable our staff will ensure cleaning and disinfecting of shared equipment between use as feasible.
- WAYA will reduce physical closeness or contact between players by keeping children in small groups, and staggering arrival and drop off times, putting signs and tape on floors or playing fields to ensure that coaches and players stay 6 feet apart, and by discouraging unnecessary physical contact, such as high-fives, handshakes, fist bumps, and hugs.
- WAYA will promote healthy hygiene practices by requiring each person wash their hands upon entering the facility and providing hand sanitizer before and after practices and games. Water fountains will be closed and no team water coolers or shared drinks/snacks are allowed.

Anyone who is sick or has been in contact with someone who has COVID-19— including players, family members, coaches, staff and spectators — should not attend practices or games. Be on the lookout for symptoms of COVID-19, which include fever, cough, or shortness of breath. Call your doctor if you think you or a family member is sick.

If someone does get sick during practice or at a game, we will isolate that person until they can be safely transported to their home or healthcare facility. If you have a specific question about this plan or COVID-19, please contact Richard Morrison, WAYA Director of Operations, for more information. You can also find more information about COVID-19 at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

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