



Moore County Parks and Recreation

2021 Covid-19

Spring Baseball – Softball Operating Plan

The health and safety of our participants is our greatest priority. With that in mind, we have developed the following Covid-19 Operation Pan for the spring 2021 Baseball-Softball programs.

Athletic Activity Protocol

1. Signage will be displayed to remind participants, coaches and staff of the recommended Covid-19 prevention strategies including Know Your Ws: Wear, Wait Wash
2. All individuals are expected to maintain social distance of at least six (6) feet whenever possible.
3. Coaches, staff, and spectators three (3) years or older are asked to wear a face covering at all times. Face Coverings are not required for individuals exempt per the exceptions outlined in Section 3.5 of Executive Order 141.
4. Participants will be asked to wear a mask while in the dugout area and anytime they are not on the playing field.
5. Coaches, officials, and others should modify communication to avoid up close face to face discussion.
6. Frequent hand washing and/or use of hand sanitizer is encouraged.
7. MCPR will furnish equipment to each team (catchers' equipment and batting helmets) for use, each piece of equipment must be disinfected after use. MCPR will have disinfectant wipes for use in the dugouts. **We highly recommend that each player have their own equipment (batting helmet, glove and bat, etc.), this is by far the safest practice.**
8. Participants and coaches are required to provide their own water (Gatorade/Powerade).
9. All participants, spectators and staff are required to self-monitor and conduct self-assessment screenings for Covid-19 related symptoms prior to attending and athletic activity (practice or games). Temperature checks are encouraged. Any individual experiencing symptoms such a fever, cough, of shortness of breath should stay home.
10. No handshakes, fist bumps or high fives before, during or after the game. We encourage good sportsmanship by waving to the other team after the game, but individual contact with the other team will not be permitted.
11. Game start times will be staggered to limit number of people in the Park.
12. Spectators are asked to provide their own seating spaced at least six (6) feet apart (unless in the same household).
13. Participants should prohibit gum chewing, eating sunflower seeds, or other habits that result in spitting or licking fingers. No spitting of seeds or gum is permitted inside the Sports Complex.

14. Volunteer Coaches are responsible for reinforcing Covid-19 best practices during practice and games, including encouraging social distancing as much as possible, wearing a face covering and limiting physical contact with others.
15. Moore County Sports Complex restrooms and high traffic areas will be cleaned and disinfected prior to all organized athletic activities. Staff will address any infrequent sanitation needs that occur during the athletic activities.
16. Encourage participants and spectators that play on fields # 1 & # 2 to use the front gate and participants and spectators on fields # 3 & # 4 to use the back gate to enter and exit the park.