



## **PROGRAM SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR GVBL**

### **GVCO Guidelines for COVID-19 Safety**

GVCO prioritizes the health and safety of our community. We are following guidance for recreational and youth sports from the CDC, state and local governments, as well as our school district, in modifying policies and protocols to facilitate a healthy and comfortable experience for participants and staff to mitigate the risk of spreading the virus. Individual programs have specific policies related to their programs posted on websites and included in program information. As always, we rely on everyone's cooperation in keeping the whole community safe and need your help in assessing your or your child's risks and staying home when appropriate.

GVCO believes in the value of recreation and exercise in promoting individual health and the benefits of our programs in strengthening our community.

### **GVBL Summer League Guidelines for COVID-19**

GVBL Program COVID Point Person: Keith Walsh (cell) 610-716-7332 or kewalsh33@aol.com.  
*If you have any questions or issues please reach out to the GVBL Program COVID point person.*

#### **SCREENING:**

- In trying to create a safe and healthy environment for all those involved with our GVBL youth sports programming we will be asking everyone to be very conscientious and diligent at helping to reduce the spread of the coronavirus. To that end we will be asking the parents/guardians to provide a brief screening questionnaire to GVBL prior to each time their son/daughter participates in a scheduled game. The screening documentation will be available through our [www.gvco.org](http://www.gvco.org) website through a simple Google form, [GVCO Screening Questionnaire](#). You will be receiving a text message from a GVBL staff member prior to each game to help the organization in its efforts to provide the proper environment for all involved. GVBL will require that the form must be fully completed prior to each game in order for your child to participate. GVBL understands that this will create a slight inconvenience through the course of the summer league season; however, a constant, conscientious effort by all involved will allow the program to effectively attain the safest, healthy environment possible.





#### PLAYERS:

- Please arrive 10 minutes prior to your game time to allow ample time for any game prior to yours to have the proper amount of time to leave the court area.
- Players should enter the fenced in court area and allow for the proper social distancing prior to your game time. ONLY PLAYERS, COACHES, REFEREES and GVCO STAFF WILL BE PERMITTED INSIDE THE FENCED IN COURT AREA.
- Avoid gathering in small or large groups prior to or after your game time.
- Please bring your own water bottle(s) clearly marked with your name on it. Please do not share your water bottle with anyone else.
- Players should wear a protective mask prior to and after the game. Players will not be required to wear a mask during the game whether playing on the court or sitting on the bench.
- While not on the court, please create social distancing while on the bench, during timeouts or halftime.
- Please avoid chewing gum or spitting. Please avoid shaking hands and “high fives”.
- Please do NOT bring your own ball. Only GVBL balls will be allowed in the fenced in court area.

#### COACHES:

- There will be only one coach allowed inside the fenced in court area during a game.
- Coaches must wear a mask while coaching. There is an “X” marked on the sidelines where we are asking coaches to stand during game time in order to create the proper social distancing. Coaches may temporarily pull down their masks while coaching from this “X”.
- Whenever addressing the players, please have your mask on. Please try to avoid creating a tight huddle of players prior to the game, during time outs, halftime and after the game.
- **THERE WILL BE NO POST GAME “HANDSHAKE LINES”**...however GVBL still encourages the players and coaches to acknowledge the usual postgame sportsmanship from the proper social distance.

#### REFEREES:

- Referees may enter the fenced in court area and should allow for the proper social distancing prior to and after your games.
- Referees should wear a protective mask prior to and after the games. Referees will not be required to wear a mask during the game or when on the court.
- Please avoid chewing gum, spitting, shaking hands and “high fives”.
- Referees will maintain control of GVBL game balls and will take them to GVCO Staff to be disinfected frequently (i.e. between games, during timeouts and half time).





GVCO STAFF:

- GVCO Staff may enter the fenced in court area and should allow for the proper social distancing prior to, during and after the game times.
- GVCO Staff should wear a protective mask prior to and after the games, and when others are within social distancing range.
- GVCO Staff will maintain the list of completed screening questionnaires and eligible participants per game. GVCO Staff will send a text reminder to parent number listed on registration with a link to complete the questionnaire.
- GVCO Staff will have disinfectant supplies and hand sanitizer for use by players, coaches, referees and staff. Staff will be responsible for disinfecting game balls between games and at half time.
- Staff should avoid chewing gum, spitting, shaking hands and “high fives”.

PARENTS:

- Parents will need to complete the GVCO Screening Questionnaire prior to players being eligible to play each game.
- Parents/guardians should arrive with players 10 minutes prior to game time.
- Parents should wear a protective masks, maintain proper social distancing and avoid gathering in large or small groups before, during and after games.
- Parents are not permitted inside the fenced area. ONLY PLAYERS, COACHES, REFEREES and GVCO STAFF WILL BE PERMITTED INSIDE THE FENCED IN COURT AREA.

More information regarding GVCO COVID Response is available on our [website](#) and in the [GVCO COVID-19 Program Packet](#)

*Thank you to everyone for helping us make the GVCO Summer League healthy and fun!*

