

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

To our baseball family,

The Board of Directors understands there is an abundance of concern surrounding the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and our thoughts are with everyone affected as the situation continues.

Our league prides itself on making sure our players, coaches and spectators are offered a safe environment to enjoy the great game of baseball. We wanted to proactively inform you of the steps we are taking to protect the health and well-being of our baseball community.

### **What Are We Doing?**

- Effective immediately, all team practices have been cancelled until Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Coaches have been instructed to not schedule any team functions until the Board of Directors advises them it is OK to do so.
- When indoor practices resume, the league will have bottles of alcohol-based sanitizer available for all to use. We are asking all players and spectators to consider using the hand sanitizer when entering and exiting the gym.
- As we transition to outdoor practices and games, our league will set-up several stations throughout our complex where hand sanitizer will be available to use.
- Concession stand workers and volunteers will be required to wear gloves which will be provided by the league.
- Our restrooms will be cleaned and sanitized with increased frequency, especially the high-touch areas.

### **Shared Equipment**

- The Board of Directors is advising all players to not share equipment if at all possible. The league will be investing in extra catcher's equipment and protective face masks which are required for certain positions in Modified T-ball and Coaches Pitch.
- Coaches have been instructed to disinfect any shared equipment before allowing a different player to use the equipment.

### **Social Responsibility**

- For the safety of all players and coaches, we are actively encouraging participants and spectators to stay home if they are not feeling well. Those who are demonstrating symptoms of illness (fever, cough, shortness of breath) during games and practices may be asked to leave for the safety of others.

As the situation evolves, our league may implement additional measures including further cancelations or changes to the 2020 league calendar.

We encourage you to review additional information and guidelines available at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.who.int](http://www.who.int) or your local health department website.

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With appreciation,

Board of Directors

