

STATE COLLEGE LITTLE LEAGUE (SCLL)

COVID-19 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR COACHES, PLAYERS, AND UMPIRES

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- Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 or experiences symptoms associated with COVID-19 must inform the SCLL President (president@statecollegelittleleague.org) and may not attend a SCLL event until cleared by a medical professional.
- Anyone who has been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or experienced related symptoms must inform the SCLL President (president@statecollegelittleleague.org) and may not attend a SCLL event until cleared by a medical professional.
- Practice social distancing of, at least, six feet from individuals not residing within your household, whenever possible.
 - While social distancing, it is recommended that you cover your mouth and nose with a face covering.
 - When not wearing a mask, cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when coughing or sneezing.
 - When social distancing cannot be achieved, you MUST cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face covering.
- Bring a face covering and hand sanitizer for personal use.
- Avoid physical contact, except as the sport requires.
- No sharing of food or drinks.
- No spitting, sunflower seeds, or gum.
- Restrooms should be sprayed or wiped with cleaner or disinfectant before and after each day's SCLL events.
- If not members of the same household, no more than one person may be in the press box to operate the scoreboard.
 - Anyone in the press box must wear a face covering.
 - The press box should be sprayed or wiped with cleaner or disinfectant before and after each use.
- Any shared field preparation equipment should be sprayed or wiped with cleaner or disinfectant before and after each use.
- During inclement weather, when play is halted, you should wait in your vehicle until play resumes.

COACHES

- Immediately isolate any player with symptoms associated with COVID-19.
- Immediately notify the SCLL President (president@statecollegelittleleague.org) if you have knowledge that a player has tested positive for COVID-19, experiences symptoms associated with COVID-19, or has been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or experienced related symptoms.
- Dugouts may only be used for batters who are on deck or in the hole, while maintaining social distancing.
- Assign players spots down the foul lines so that they are, at least, six feet apart, preferably behind a fence or behind a coach protecting the players from foul balls and overthrows.
- Unless a player has his or her own catcher's gear, Pee Wee teams shall have no catchers. A coach shall catch.

- Minors and Majors teams may only have as many catchers as they have sets of catcher's gear, whether the catcher's gear is owned by the league or by individual players. Players may not share catcher's gear or other equipment.
- Lineup exchanges should be done digitally.
- Teams should leave the park quickly so that other teams may access the area.

PLAYERS

- Face coverings are permitted but not required, during play.
- Food and drinks should be labeled with the player's name.
- Players are to stay at their assigned spots while waiting their turn to bat or play in the field.
- When not in use, players must keep their equipment in their designated spots.
- Players should use their own individual batter's helmet, glove, bat, and catcher's equipment. Equipment may not be shared.
- After the game, players should "tip their cap" to the opposing team in lieu of a handshake line.
- After a practice or game, players should leave the park quickly with their parent/guardian/caretaker and equipment so that other players may access the area.

UMPIRES

- Baseballs and softballs should be rotated through on a regular basis to limit contact.
 - Each team should supply their own balls for when they are on defense.
- Umpires should limit their contact with the baseballs or softballs.
 - Players should retrieve foul balls and passed balls, when possible.
- No plate meetings.
- Umpires should call balls and strikes from behind the pitcher's mound, while social distancing.

ENFORCEMENT

- Anyone not adhering to these safety requirements should be reported to the SCLL President (president@statecollegelittleleague.org).
- Anyone not adhering to these safety requirements may be barred from attending SCLL events.

The State College Little League Board of Directors reserves the right to modify these requirements.

These safety requirements were compiled from resources and guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO), The Aspen Institute, and Little League International, among others. State mandates shall be followed.