

Stewartville Youth Athletic Association (SYAA) Return to Play Protocol

It is proposed that the Stewartville Youth Athletic Association be able to return to play this fall. The following are guidelines we will use for practices.

Teams arriving to the field

- Participants should enter and leave the field in a timely fashion and not congregate.
- Hand washing or hand sanitizing, when soap and water is not available, is strongly recommended when arriving to and leaving the venue.
- Practice start times must be staggered, so a team has left the field before the next team arrives.

Practices/Games - beginning August 22nd

- Players are required to have a mouth guard and for this year gloves, preferably a football/batting type glove to limit contact with player's flags and game/practice balls.
- Practices will be limited to 1-2 times per week for 75 minutes each.
- All athletes must maintain six feet distance, whenever possible, from any other person.
- No more than one team per field for a practice.
- Teams will be limited to a maximum of 10 players and a minimum of 1 coach.
- Practice groups must maintain distance from each other and not mix during the entire duration. Practice balls must be sanitized before, during, and after each practice and game.
- Hand sanitizing is strongly recommended during practices and games.
- Players will not share equipment during practice.
- No spitting.
- No sharing of food or drinks.
- No touch rule - coaches must refrain from high fives, handshake line, and any other physical contact with fellow coaches, opposing coaches, players, and spectators. A "tip of the cap" will be used as a salute to the opposing team to promote sportsmanship following the game.
- Coaches **will** ensure the players are adhering to social distancing on the sideline and other seating areas

Parents and Spectators

- Must maintain six feet distance from any other person and stay in the designated spectator area outlined by the venue.
- No parents or spectators allowed at practices.
- Must conduct a daily symptom assessment and stay home if experiencing symptoms.
- **Waivers releasing SYAA and the City of Stewartville will be required by all parents/players before play begins.**

Update to refund policy

- Registration as always is subject to having an adequate number of players to facilitate a season and now COVID guidelines, if season is cancelled and refunds are issued, SYAA will work to try and prorate the amount of registration less any processing fees charged by the third party registration system used by SYAA.