

## **Linglestown Baseball Association**

### **COVID-19 Safety Plan - Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **Will my player be required to wear a mask?**

- Yes. All players, coaches and umpires are required to wear an appropriate face covering while at the ball field. Face coverings can be brought below the mouth/nose when players need a break and are able to social distance (such as outfielders in between batters).

#### **What should my player bring to the field?**

- Players should bring their own face covering and all of their own equipment. There will be no sharing of equipment between players. Additionally, players should bring his/her own drinks/snacks as the status of the concession stand is still not confirmed. There will be no team drinks/snacks provided. If you need assistance in obtaining equipment, please reach out to LBA president, Bob Phillips at 717-991-7977.

#### **What should we do before a game or practice?**

- Parents should pre-screen their player(s). If the player has been experiencing a fever or any other symptoms identified by the CDC as possible symptoms, players and/or spectators should not attend. In addition, if players/coaches have been in close contact with someone who tested positive, players/coaches will need to quarantine for 14 days. Parents should notify the coach as soon as possible.

#### **Can my son's grandparents come to the game?**

- LBA will not restrict any spectators from watching the games in the park. However, it is recommended all spectators follow the township's guidelines and adhere to the CDC guidelines, including face coverings and social distancing. Limited seating may be available, so it is recommended spectators bring their own chairs. Parents and other guests will not be allowed in the dugout areas during games/practices. If you need to speak with your player, please inform the head coach who will have your player exit the playing area.

#### **How will games or practices be modified during this pandemic?**

- Coaches will be modifying practice routines to ensure there is ample opportunity for social distancing. The number of occupants in the dugout will be limited. All players, coaches and umpires will not only strive for adequate social distancing, but will also be wearing appropriate face coverings. Umpires for pony and midget will call games from behind the pitcher with second umpire located behind batter to call fair/foul, runners leaving early, dropped third strike (when applicable) and calls at home plate. Teener umpires will resume normal umpire positions (when available). All umpires are required to wear a mask when in the field of play.

**What are other leagues doing?**

- Each league operates under their own guidelines. However, teams that come to LBA fields will be required to follow LBA's COVID mitigation plan. LBA's COVID mitigation plan has been developed as required by the township. When LBA travels to another field, LBA will continue to follow LBA policies, even in the event the opposing team/field does not require masks.

**Why is LBA producing a COVID policy?**

LBA's mission has always been to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all players, coaches and fans. Our policies are in alignment with the most current research and recommendations provided by the CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/guidance.html> In addition, this policy has been submitted to Lower Paxton Township.

**What should I do if I have more questions or concerns about these policies or how this pandemic will impact LBA?**

You may contact either the league president, Bob Phillips at 717-991-7977, or LBA's COVID officer, Bob Stakem at 717-576-6892.

**Where can I find more information on the COVID policy?**

The full COVID mitigation plan can be found on our website under "COVID Information"