



Floral Park Little League 2021 COVID-19 Protocol



The procedures set forth in this document are to be followed by all players, coaches, managers, volunteers and spectators during all league activities (practices, games, etc.). These shall be considered in force unless formal written notice of change has been provided.

Prior to participation in the 2021 season, each player must submit a signed copy of the 2021 COVID-19 waiver.

Exposure Protocols:

1. Fully vaccinated is defined as 2 or more weeks after the final COVID-19 vaccine dose is administered.
 - a. Any player, coach, manager, umpire or volunteer who misrepresents their vaccination status will be suspended and/or expelled from the league.
2. Any player, coach, manager, umpire or volunteer (regardless of vaccination status) who tests positive for COVID-19 must report their result to the Safety Officer, Tom Van Buskirk, at 917-833-8191 or contactfpll@yahoo.com immediately
 - a. All notifications will be kept private and confidential
 - b. Those who test positive will be required to refrain from league activities for the recommended period of quarantine
 - c. The league will use best practices for contact tracing and notification of coaches and players
 - i. The identity of any positive cases will be kept private and confidential
 - d. The division of play or team with a positive test will have play suspended for the recommended period of quarantine
 - i. Practices may not be held during this suspension
3. Any **unvaccinated** player, coach, manager, umpire or volunteer who is notified that they are a close contact of somebody who has tested positive may not participate in league activities for the recommended period of quarantine.
 - a. This includes, but is not limited to, players whose school classes become remote due to a possible exposure.
 - b. In accordance with NYS guidelines, a negative test does not release you from quarantine
 - c. In the event of a later positive test, please see point 2 for the protocol to be followed.
4. All federal, state and local travel restrictions must be followed.
 - a. Any **unvaccinated** player, coach, manager, umpire or volunteer who travels to a restricted locale may not take part in any league activities until the proper quarantine requirements have been met.
 - b. Quarantine requirements for restricted travel will be as determined at the federal, state, or local level.



Game, Practice and League Event Protocols

1. Follow federal, state, and local guidelines as they relate to COVID-19
2. Health Monitoring
 - a. Anyone with symptoms of fever, cough, or worsening respiratory symptoms will not attend any league activities until cleared by a medical professional.
 - b. Any individual, including players, at risk for severe illness or with serious underlying medical or respiratory condition should obtain permission from a medical professional before attending league activities.
 - c. Anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or has been exposed to COVID-19 must follow the exposure protocols at the top of this document.
3. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - a. **Fully vaccinated** players, coaches, managers, umpires and volunteers will not be required to social distance or wear face coverings
 - b. **Unvaccinated** players, coaches, managers, umpires, and volunteers must wear a face covering whenever they are in the dugout area and in all instances where six (6) feet of social distancing is challenging, inconsistent or not feasible
 - i. Face coverings are in addition to and not a replacement for social distancing
 - ii. Face coverings will be considered part of the uniform and required equipment that must be brought to every league activity
 - iii. Unvaccinated players will not be required to wear a cloth face covering while on the field during gameplay
 - c. All Players are permitted to wear a cloth face covering on the field during gameplay, if physically able to do so, based on any directive of a medical provider or individual determination of player/parent/guardian
4. Dugouts
 - a. The Expanded Dugouts will remain in effect for the 2021 season
 - i. Refer to the documentation on floralparklittleleague.com
5. Umpires
 - a. Umpires may choose to be positioned behind the plate on fields 1, 2, 3, and 4.
 - b. Umpire on fields 6 and 7 must be positioned behind the pitcher
6. Food and Drink
 - a. Food and/or snacks will not be permitted in the dugout area
 - b. Sunflower seeds, gum, etc. are not allowed in the dugout area or playing field
 - c. There is no spitting in the dugout areas or playing fields
7. Post-Game Activities
 - a. Team handshakes/high fives are eliminated and replaced with hat tips from the dugout
8. All rules, regulations and guidelines set forth by the Village of Floral Park Recreation center will be followed by all managers, coaches, volunteers, players and spectators
 - a. In the event of conflicting guidelines, the more restrictive option will be in force



Floral Park Little League is a chartered member of Little League International and has adopted LLI guidelines relating to COVID-19 (and as applicable the CDC, New York State Department of Health and Nassau County Department of Health). The resumption of recreational sports was authorized under Phase III of the New York Forward reopening plan. Adherence to the protocols above will ensure we are providing the safest environment possible for every FPLL participant. Floral Park Little League reserves the right to suspend and/or cancel the season at any time.

Any questions regarding this document can be directed to the Floral Park Little League Safety Officer, Tom Van Buskirk, at contactfpll@yahoo.com

