

# WBA COVID Policies and Procedures- updated 03/12/21

The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and can cause severe illness and death. As a result, federal, state, local governments, and healthcare agencies recommend social distancing, face coverings, frequent hand washing, and other preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Current guidance-

Westlake Baseball Association, Inc. (the "WBA") is a volunteer based, community run organization. The WBA will require it's volunteers, players and families to follow all federal, state, county, and local guidelines to ensure the safety of everyone at its facilities. The most up-to-date information can be found at the following sites and please note that they can be updated at any time:

Federal (CDC): <https://www.cdc.gov>

State of California: <https://covid19.ca.gov>;

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/outdoor-indoor-recreational-sports.aspx>

Ventura County: <https://www.venturacountyrecovers.org>

As such, the following guidelines must be followed by each family in order for your child to participate in any WBA activity:

1. **Face Coverings-** The WBA strongly recommends that players wear face coverings during all WBA activities, even during heavy exertion as tolerated by each individual player. If health risks are a concern, consult your child's physician. Face coverings must be worn at all times when not participating in an activity (i.e. in the dugout, on the sidelines, and when seated in the bleachers per item 2 below). Coaches, family members and or any other visitors to any WBA Facility must wear a face covering at all times.
2. **Physical Distancing-** All players, coaches, family members and or other visitors must maintain a minimum of 6 feet space between themselves and others at all times. **Players must sit in the bleachers (physically**

**distanced apart) and not in the dugout when they are not on the field playing.**

3. **Equipment and Hygiene-** There must be no sharing of any equipment other than the baseballs that will be used during practices and games. All players must utilize hand sanitizer (supplied by WBA), before play, during breaks, and after play.
4. **Stable Cohort (Team)-** No changes can be made to any team's roster unless and until that change has been approved by WBA.
5. **Health Screening-** All players, coaches and observers are required to self-screen (temperature check themselves) prior to arriving at any WBA practice or game.
6. **Observers-** Per CDPH guidelines, we will limit observation to immediate household members, and for the strict purpose of age-appropriate supervision. This includes observation of practice and competition. **No observer will sit in the bleachers and may only sit in their own chairs or stand anywhere outside of the field and more than 10 feet away from the bleachers.**
7. **Quarantine-** Any participants or observers with symptoms of COVID-19 or known exposure to someone with COVID-19 within the last 14 days are prohibited from attending any WBA activity or event.

The above policies are mandatory for each participant to follow, and lack of compliance will likely result in activities being postponed or cancelled. We will continue to monitor and update this document as new information is provided.

We are excited to play some baseball and appreciate everyone's compliance and support.

Thank you,

Westlake Baseball Association, Inc.