



Peachtree Baseball & Softball

2021 Spring Season COVID Guidelines

Peachtree will follow guidelines put forth by the State Government, Albemarle County Parks & Recreation, Crozet Park Board & Babe Ruth League.

- Only 2 spectators are allowed per player. All spectators must wear face coverings over their mouth and nose at all times according to Albemarle County Return to Play guidelines.
- Any games or practices on the same day will be scheduled with at least a half hour break in between.
- No equipment sharing will be allowed beyond baseballs
 - Players needing a helmet or bat should reach out to their coach to obtain from the league after the first practice.
 - Players will use the same helmet or bat throughout the season and return it at the end.
 - As there is no registration charge this season, players are encouraged to obtain a bat. Play it Again normally has them used for a very low cost.
 - Rookie baseball will not have catchers geared up. Each Majors/Minors baseball team and 10u/12u softball team will have two sets of catchers gear that must be sanitized between each game. Disinfectant will be provided by the league.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided by the league and available to all coaches.
- No seeds or gum will be permitted.
- Dugouts will be closed.
- Players and parents will be staggered in 6 ft intervals along the outside fence.
- No unnecessary contact will be allowed (i.e. high fives, handshakes, etc).
- Coaches, officials and non participant game personnel must wear face coverings at all times.
 - It is highly encouraged for players to wear face coverings as they are comfortable to do so.
 - It is not a requirement that a player wears a face covering during practice or a game, though it is highly encouraged.
- No team water will be allowed.
- Anyone testing positive for or with a known exposure to COVID-19 will be required to quarantine and remove themselves from practice or games for the appropriate length of time according to the CDC.
 - Please contact your coach ASAP who will contact their division VP to ensure exposure is handled appropriately.
 - The league will notify the families of all players and participants who've potentially come in close contact with a participant identified as testing positive for COVID.
- All players, coaches, umpires and other officials must comply with the daily screening process established by the league.

COVID Screening Process

Peachtree will be utilizing a COVID screening app as part of our efforts to prevent the spread of COVID. This will help us to reinforce a culture that prioritizes the health of all participants and spectators.

All coaches, officials, staff, and players are required to be screened for COVID-19 symptoms prior to admission to any Albemarle County fields and facilities, including all Peachtree practices and games. Those being screened will be asked if they are currently experiencing fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, per latest CDC guidance) or a sense of having a fever, or any of the following symptoms that cannot be attributed to another condition (such as allergies or exercise): cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, headache, loss of smell or taste, chills, sore throat, congestion, runny nose, muscle or body aches, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea. All coaches, officials, staff, and players will be allowed to participate in the game/practice only if symptoms for COVID-19 are currently not present, nor have they been present in the prior 10-days.

Players will not be eligible to participate in Peachtree practices and games for 14 days, if in the past week they have participated in a sporting event outside of the state or in a locality of Virginia in which the Governor has enacted additional restrictions to mitigate the spread of COVID 19.

COVID-19 Diagnosis and Exposure

It is very important for every participant who has symptoms of, has tested positive for, or has been exposed to COVID-19, to follow the appropriate guidelines for quarantine or isolation. All participants with symptoms should stay home until CDC criteria for ending isolation have been met. Those with severe symptoms may need to be evaluated by a healthcare provider. If a participant begins to experience symptoms while at a Peachtree practice or game, that person should immediately return home or to a healthcare facility.

[CDC COVID-19 Link](#)

[Symptoms of Coronavirus](#)

[Improve How Your Mask Protects You](#)

[When to Quarantine?](#)

[When You Can be Around Others?](#)

[Virginia Dept of Health Link](#)