

Grassland Families,

All practices will begin this upcoming weekend, December 5. As we get ready for an interesting season of youth basketball, we all must follow some guidelines and procedures in order to have a season. These guidelines and procedures have been put in place by Williamson County Schools (WCS) and Williamson County Parks & Recreation (WCPR), and these may change at any point during the season. If so, GAA will communicate those changes to you.

1. Before entering a school or gym, everyone must have their temperature checked by a gym supervisor or other WCPR/GAA staff or volunteer member and answer the questions below. If a coach or parent wishes to help perform temperature checks before practices then they are welcome to do so as this will help get everyone inside the gym more quickly.
 - A. **Have you recently been in close contact with a confirmed case of Covid-19?**
 - B. **Have you had an unusual cough or shortness of breath?**
 - C. **Have you had a sore throat or other flu-like symptoms?**
 - D. **Have you had a fever of 100.0F or greater in the past 72 hours?**
 - E. **Have you had a new loss of taste or smell?**
 - F. **Have you had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?**
 - G. **Individuals who answer YES to any of the screening questions, OR have a temperature of 100.0F or greater, OR who refuse to participate in the screening process, OR refused wear a mask/face covering must not enter the building.**
 - H. **Only those individuals with an exemption form will be permitted to enter the building without a mask or face covering.**
2. Everyone must wear a mask when entering the gym. Parents, siblings, and anyone else not actively participating on the court must keep their masks on at all times while inside the gym.
3. **There is no limit on the number of spectators per player; however, we ask families to be aware of the limited capacity of the gyms. GAA needs to**

keep bleachers capacity at 25%. Families still must socially distance and wear face coverings at all times while inside the gym.

4. No food is allowed in the gyms and the only drink allowed is water. Anyone attempting to bring any food or non-water drink into the gym will be asked to take the item(s) outside or back to their vehicle.
5. **Players** on the court do not have to wear masks. When players are on the bench, they must wear masks.
6. Coaches on the bench must wear masks at all times. If a coach is participating in practice, he or she does not have to wear a mask.
7. **Bleachers will not be out during practices.** Everyone must stand or sit on the floor, or wait in your vehicles. We do ask you to limit the number of spectators for practices.
8. Everyone in the bleachers on game days must socially distance and stay at least 6 feet apart unless with immediate family. This will be enforced by Gym Supervisors.
9. A coach or designated parent must be the last person to leave the gym from your team. If any items from your team are left, the coach or the designated person must take those items. If they do not, those items will be disposed of at the end of the day. **GAA cannot store any lost and found items this year.**
10. At no point during the season will more than two teams and their families be allowed inside the gym at once.
11. All weeknight practices will begin at 6:45 and 8:00 p.m. The reason for the later start times this year is the SAAC programs are using the school gyms and we can't enter until they are finished and gone. GAA is aware these times are not ideal, especially for the younger children, but the situation is out of our hands this season. If practices begin late due to SAAC being in the gym a little longer than expected or other circumstances, teams will still get their hour-long practice in.
12. All practices will have 15 minutes blocked off between start times. After one hour, the Gym Supervisor will blow a whistle indicating that it's time to wrap up and exit as quickly as possible. Coaches have been asked to wrap up the physical part of their practice a few minutes early in order to have

time for their post-practice discussion. This is to allow ample time for everyone to leave the gym within a few minutes of their practice ending and give the Gym Supervisors and other WCPR/GAA staff time to clean and sanitize high traffic areas.

13. All games will have 30-45 minutes blocked off between start times to allow both teams to have a quick post-game meeting and then everyone will exit as quickly as possible. This will allow the Gym Supervisor and other WCPR/GAA staff enough time to clean and sanitize high traffic areas before allowing the next two teams and families inside.
14. When waiting to enter the gym, please social distance and let coaches and players enter first. If another practice or game is in the process of concluding, please stand away from the door so they may exit as quickly as possible. Remember, the Gym Supervisors and other staff have to begin the process in Step 1 all over again.
15. All doors will remain locked from the outside and only the Gym Supervisors or other WCPR/GAA staff are permitted to let anyone inside the gym or building. **Coaches, parents, players, siblings etc. are not allowed to let anyone inside the building, only the Gym Supervisors and GAA/WCPR staff.** The Gym Supervisor may not be there to let you back inside within a timely manner so please limit coming and going during practices, and you may have to go through the temp checks again if they don't remember you. In addition, if you are trying to get back inside the gym at the end of practice to pick up your child, it may be difficult as the Gym Supervisor will be doing other things. If this happens, you will need to wait for your child just outside the door.
16. No handshake lines are allowed at the end of the game.
17. If any players or coaches go into Covid-19 quarantine due to contact tracing or a positive test result, Chris McElhiney must be notified as soon as possible at chris@playgrassland.com. The names will remain confidential; however, a courtesy email will be sent to the team alerting them.
18. If anyone is quarantined due to a positive Covid-19 test or through contact tracing, they must follow the CDC and local health department guidelines on when they can return.