

Grassland Families,

On Monday, August 17, we begin another season of Fall baseball and Softball at Grassland Park. The past five months have been so different and unlike anything we have seen in our lifetime. I for one am glad to get back out on the field and back to some normalcy.

Due to Covid-19 and the social distancing requirements, Williamson County Parks & Recreation (WCPR) has mandated that for now we need a 30-minute buffer between games so multiple families aren't intermingling and risking the spread of Covid-19. WCPR owns the parks we play in, so this is something we must do.

In addition to the 30-minute buffer between games, WCPR also asks that families spread out while watching their child's games and only sit with those in your immediate family. This means that very few people will be allowed in the bleachers so please consider bringing chairs and sitting along the fences. Again, this is not a GAA policy, but a WCPR policy.

The players on the field will also experience much different game procedures. On fields 1-4, only 5 people are allowed in the dugout at any given time. Only 4 people are allowed in the dugouts on fields 5-9. The remaining players will be lined up along the fences, either inside or out. Their placement along the fences is up to the coach.

Before arriving to the park, everyone needs to make sure they do the following COVID-19 symptom checks. ***YOU MUST HAVE CHECKED YOUR TEMPERATURE AT HOME BEFORE ENTERING THE BALLPARK!***

Symptom Checks:

Individuals reporting for a sporting event or activity at Grassland Park should be screened for COVID-19 symptoms upon arrival by answering the following questions:

- 1. Have you been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14-days? (this does not apply to medical personnel, first responders, or others who encounter COVID-19 as part of their professional or caregiving duties while wearing appropriate PPE)***
- 2. Are you experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, or sore throat?***
- 3. Have you had a fever in the last 48 hours?***
- 4. Have you had any new loss of taste or smell?***
- 5. Have you had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?***

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE ANSWERS ARE YES, PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE BALLPARK.

If WCPR receives multiple reports of violations, then they have said they will close down the park if the problems aren't remedied.

The concession stand will be serving a full menu at the baseball complex. However, things will be different, but similar to what you are experiencing at other places. The softball concession stand will be operating as usual.

Please be aware that other parks you travel to may operate under different protocols dependent upon their park's requirements, so please do what they require.

Thank you all for your help, patience, and understanding as we head into the game season.