

## 2021 Augusta Little League Season Plan

### A. General Rules:

1. If anyone (player, coach, spectator) has tested positive for COVID-19, that person will not be allowed back to the field until they have been confirmed recovered from a medical professional.
2. All players and coaches to wash hands at start and end of event (sanitize).
3. All players/volunteers to be screened at arrival or prior to start of event (clinic, practice, game).
  - a. Screening will be conducted by ALL Board Members or approved volunteer.
    - i. Volunteer is required to wear face mask during screening.
    - ii. Screening questions to include:
      - Have you had direct contact with anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 or are being tested for COVID-19?
        - i. If yes, 14 days before able to play OR results of a negative test must be provided.
      - Do you have any of the following symptoms, per CDC guidance: fever (chills/sweating), persistent cough, sore throat, body aches, change in smell or taste, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing?
        - i. If yes, have to be symptom free for 72 hours prior to returning to little league complex.
        - ii. Temps will be checked with no-touch thermometers.
    - iii. Board will be notified of anybody that answers affirmatively to any of the screening questions.
4. No food on field/in dugouts for duration of practices and games.
5. All bottles used for drinking need to be clearly marked on multiple sides.
6. No licking hands prior to throwing a ball.
7. No "hands in" cheers.
8. Catchers' equipment will be dedicated to individual players for the season.
9. Masks are REQUIRED by everyone at all times while at our facility in accordance with the state guidelines.

### B. Tryouts/Evaluations:

1. Number of players and coaches present for tryouts will be limited based on current CDC guidelines for social gatherings, with 10 minutes separation between tryout times.
2. Pre-screen and real time screening questions (outlined above).
3. Distancing supported throughout tryout.
4. Approximate time to be 1 hour.

### C. Practices:

1. All practices will be at CARA (Piggery Road) complex.
2. One team per field.
3. Screening, handwashing, distancing applied as well as no food and properly marked drinking containers.
4. Drills set up with minimum spacing of 6 feet between players and coaches.
5. Players are encouraged to have their own helmet; those who are unable to provide one, will be loaned a helmet for the season.
6. Any shared bats will be disinfected after each use.
7. Baseballs will be sanitized after each practice.

D. Games

1. Scheduled with 30-minute window between each end of game and before next team arrives for warm up.
2. Screening, handwashing, distancing applied, as well as no food and properly marked drinking containers.
  - a. At each half inning, all players and coaches will be required to sanitize.
3. Area marked outside the fence line will serve as the dugout. Area will be divided into X sections (X=number of players) to separate equipment and players, 1 coach on 1<sup>st</sup>, 1 on 3<sup>rd</sup>
4. Pledge the same, with social distancing observed.
5. Umpire/Manager meeting around home plate, distancing in place.
6. End of game, no handshake.

E. Team Sizes (dependent on registration)

1. Minors/Majors teams of 10-14 kids each, with 3-4 coaches per team.
2. Double A teams of 8-10 kids each, 3-4 coaches.
3. Single A teams of 5-7 kids each, 2 coaches.
  - a. A parent, guardian, or family member (with coach approval) will be required to be at the field with their player during practices and games.
4. T-ball teams of 4-6 kids each, 2 coaches.
  - a. A parent, guardian, or family member (with coach approval) will be required to be at the field with their player during practices and games.

F. Safety Plan: Intact, this document serves as an addendum to the League safety plan.

G. Background Checks: Ongoing – required for all volunteers.

H. Fans

1. Separate parking by playing field.
2. Seating: Bleachers will not be provided during games. Please provide your own seating if needed.
3. Social distancing guidelines will be in place before, during and after all games and practices.
4. Must not enter player areas.
5. No pop-up tents permitted.
6. Face masks are required!

I. General Field

1. Post signs with current guidance.
2. Bathrooms: will be sanitized by Casella on a regular basis.
3. Supplies on hand:
  - a. Disinfectant spray
  - b. Masks (for use by volunteers)
  - c. Sanitizing stations