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**Washington District 1 Little League is made up of the following leagues:**

Alderwood Little League

Everett Little League

Granite Falls Little League

Lake Stevens Little League

Marysville Little League

Mill Creek Little League

Mukilteo Little League

Pacific Little League

Sky Valley Little League

Snohomish Little League

Stanwood Camano Little League

**Stilly Valley Little League**

Tulalip Little League

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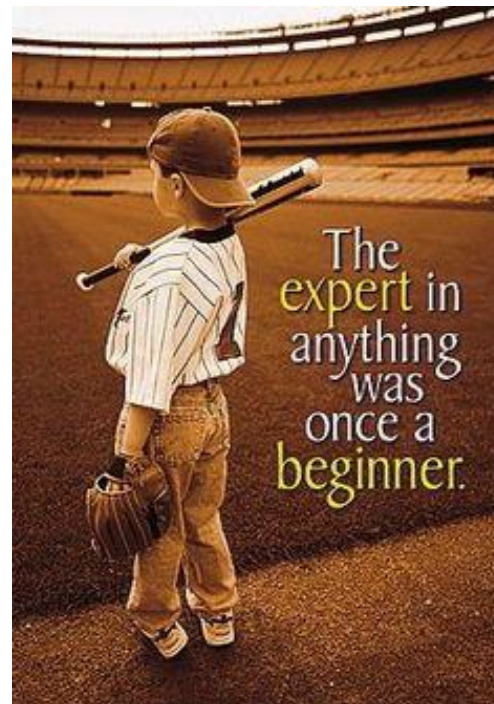
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## Mission Statement:

The mission of Stilly Valley Little League is to provide a framework to follow as we return-to-play during the Covid-19 pandemic. It is our intent to follow WA state guidelines by honoring the phased approach that has been laid out by our Governor.

**It is acknowledged that this plan is a snapshot in time that can and will change as we gain additional knowledge as well as County and State guidance.**



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## General Requirements - All Participants:

- Must remain home if ANYONE in household is ill
- Take temperature prior to leaving for field and to stay home if temperature is elevated
- Carpooling strongly discouraged
- **Mask or face covering REQUIRED at all times**
- Must go directly to your designated field (No viewing other games)
- **Please bring your own seating and spread out accordingly.**
- Must maintain 6 ft social distancing with anyone not in your household
- Spectators are not allowed in player areas (Dugouts, fields, etc)
- Spectators must maintain 6 ft distance from backstops and dugouts
- Hand washing or sanitizing at regular intervals is strongly recommended

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## General Requirements - All Participants:

- When available, must use bathroom provided at your designated field - Maintain 6 ft buffer around the door
- Follow pack in / pack out philosophy (Take all garbage with you upon leaving)
- Upon conclusion of the practice or game, leave your designated field **promptly** (Don't mingle with other parents, etc)

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## Player Requirements:

- MASKS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for players, coaches and umpires.
- Must maintain 6 ft social distancing while off the field of play
- Must wear a mask or face covering and use hand sanitizer upon arriving to the field, during the event and leaving the field
- Adhere to proper hygiene requirement of not touching their face
- Must not share clothing, equipment, food or water
- All equipment must be clearly marked so player can readily identify
- Must adhere to no-touch rule (No high fives, handshakes, etc)
- End of game sportsmanship recognition. Players/Coaches line up on respective foul lines and tip caps to opponent.
- Must clean dugout of any trash after practice / game

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## Coach Requirements:

- MASKS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for players, coaches and umpires.
- Ensure that all participants adhere to all requirements
- Maintain 6 ft social distancing when possible
- Must wear a mask or face covering and use of hand sanitizer upon arriving to the field, during the event and leaving the field
- Must adhere to no-touch rule (No high fives, handshakes, etc)
- Must sanitize shared catcher's equipment between uses (All other equipment sharing is prohibited)
- Must clean dugout of any trash after practice or game
- Must sanitize field maintenance equipment before leaving
- No beverage or snack exchange after practices or games



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## Umpire Requirements:

- MASKS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for players, coaches and umpires.
- Must maintain 6 ft social distancing when possible (Field umpires must always maintain 6 ft social distancing from players/coaches)
- Must wear a mask or face covering and use of hand sanitizer upon arriving to the field, during the event and leaving the field
- Must adhere to no-touch rule (No high fives, handshakes, etc)
- Equipment safety check should be completed visually
- Umpires have option to officiate behind the plate or behind pitchers mound. Balls and strikes should be called from an adequate distance behind the pitcher.

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## Practice Procedures:

- MASKS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for players, coaches and umpires.
- To eliminate close contact DO NOT use dugouts for practice. Player gear can be hung on fence outside of dugout or placed along fence line
- Managers to ensure that return-to-play requirements for all participants, including players, coaches and umpires are followed
- Waiting on the sidelines prior to the start of practice time is not allowed (If you arrive early, wait in your vehicle) \*or\* Warm team up in designated areas conforming to 6 ft social distancing rules until field vacated and your practice time.
- Players and coaches may not enter the playfield until the start of their practice time-slot.
- Equipment bags to be spaced 6 ft apart in dugouts or surrounding area.
- Full team practices are allowed while maintaining 6 ft social distancing when possible.
- All equipment and garbage must be removed, and the field vacated by end of scheduled practice reservation.

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## Game Procedures:

- MASKS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for players, coaches and umpires.
- Managers to ensure that all return-to-play requirements for all participants, including players, coaches and umpires are followed
- Waiting on the sidelines prior to the start of game is not allowed (If you arrive early, wait in your vehicle) \*or\* Warm team up in designated areas conforming to 6 ft social distancing rules until field vacated and your game time.
- Players and coaches may not enter the playfield until field vacated by prior teams/spectators
- Staggered start times to limit numbers at entry and exit points
- Equipment bags to be spaced 6 ft apart in dugouts or surrounding area
- Managers/present SVLL Board members must ensure that total participants do not exceed 150 people per field (Includes coaches, players, spectators and umpires)
- Recommend no lineups exchanged and 6ft social distanced plate meetings (Any field issues or irregular ground rules should be shared via e-mail prior to game).

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## Game Procedures:

- Minimize time spent with 5+ / full team in dugouts and maintain 6ft social distancing guidelines while in dugout.
- One coach must always be in dugout (Encouraged to use players as first base coaches)
- Each team will be required to provide their own game balls for use when on-field(defense), including extras for foul balls (A coach is required to provide players with a game ball after an out-of-play foul ball)
- Bench players retrieve foul balls out of play for respective team.
- Players are to maintain 6ft social distance when possible on-field, including while returning to the dugout

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## Game Procedures:

- On-field meetings should include no more than 2 players / coaches while maintaining 6 ft social distancing
- Any shared catching equipment must be sanitized between uses (All other equipment sharing is prohibited)
- End of game sportsmanship recognition. Players/Coaches line up on respective foul lines and tip caps to opponent.
- Players and families to leave immediately after the game concludes
- All equipment and garbage must be removed, and the field vacated by all participants ASAP upon conclusion of game.

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