



Fall 2020 COVID-19 Plan: Youth Soccer (Clinics)

Planned Start Date: September 26th

The purpose of this document is to focus on minimizing risks while still allowing fun for everyone due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The plan will be reviewed regularly and adjusted in order to make sure we are meeting local and state guidelines and regulations. The health and safety of our participants and their families is our highest priority. The plan below will detail how our modified youth soccer season will look and what guidelines we have in place. Please know that all participants, coaches, volunteers, and spectators must follow this plan in order to provide a safe environment for you and your family.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Ensure the child and attendee are healthy and symptom-free, and check temperatures before departure for the venue.
- Ensure you remain 6 feet away from others not in your immediate household
- Consider not carpooling
- Stay in your vehicle or a safe distance until the team before you has cleared the field.
- Follow Governor guidelines for the mandatory mask mandate. (PLEASE RESPECT ONE ANOTHER)
- Ensure all your kid's equipment has been sanitized before and after practice/clinic
- Bring your own chair and sit or stand on a blue or white X or box that is located on the parent's sideline, which may be located outside the fence on a baseball field.
- Parents must bring own water bottle; labeled clearly
- Exit facility immediately after practice/clinic is complete
- Only two family members allowed per player at the facility – to follow Governor restrictions for mass gathering
- Adhere to the signs posted
- Parents and Spectators who are in the high-risk category: Please Stay Home.

To keep players and family's safe the following will not be allowed at Practice/Clinic:

- High five, fist bumps, or handshakes etc. No coach to player contact.
- Less than 6 ft apart from coaches
- Sharing of personal equipment
- Touching of team equipment that includes the cones and ball pump
- Heading or throwing of the ball

Procedures for Practice/Clinic for Players and Coaches/Instructors:

- Sanitize equipment and hands before practice and after practice or clinic
- Masks to be worn to and from the field by players 5 and older
- Coach or assigned Instructor are allowed to handle the team's equipment
- Player's bags must be 6 feet apart on the team's sideline



- Participants must enter and exit through the dugouts one at a time at a distance, if a soccer field is on a baseball field.
- Coaches and Instructors are encouraged to take hand sanitizer or washing hand breaks
- Individual or small group drills are recommended
- Scrimmaging is allowed within a team
- Masks are mandatory for coaches and instructors at all times but are encouraged to take mask breaks as long as they are away from the players
- Huddles are permitted but everyone must remain 6 feet apart

Sanitization

- All high touch areas and restrooms will be sanitized hourly by Parks & Recreation Staff
- Coaches will be given bags that include: Hand Sanitizer, disinfectant spray, disinfectant wipes, and a mask
- Coaches must sanitize all equipment before and after each practice or clinic.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be located outside of the restrooms
- Parents are encouraged to bring hand sanitizer for themselves and children

If Someone Gets Sick

- We will notify health officials and follow proper procedures per Cabarrus Health Alliance.
- If you have any questions or concerns please call 704-920-5600 and ask for Athletics.

