

Little Prairie League Baseball and Softball

COVID-19 Reopening Guidelines

June 3, 2020

Purpose: This guidance will largely follow the Iowa Department of Education Guidance for Summer Sports. However, Little Prairie League serves a broader age range of youth and our town representative board felt it necessary to issue this guidance. Please read through this guide carefully. We all have a role to play in giving our coaches, players, umpires, and spectators a safe and responsible season.

- Signage will be prominently posted at every field that hosts a Little Prairie League game indicating that no one should attend or participate in game or practices if they currently have symptoms or have been in contact with anyone with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis in the last 14 days.
- The use of dugouts will be permitted for games only. Please discourage anyone not associated with the team (i.e. siblings, friends) from coming by the dugout.
- Players should use their own gloves, helmets, and bats as much as possible.
- Concession stands will **NOT** be open during Little Prairie League games or practices. Many of our town's water fountains will remain closed, even if their restrooms are available. Please **plan ahead** if you know your player will need something to eat or drink.
- Each player should come prepared with his/her own water bottle.
- Team shared food and drink (i.e. Gatorade coolers, team treats) is prohibited.
- The use of sunflower seeds is prohibited.
- Players and coaches are not to high five, fist bump, or hug to reduce contact.
- Restroom facilities will be available **ONLY** in the following towns. Please plan accordingly.
 - Asbury
 - Bankston
 - Cascade
 - Dyersville
 - Epworth
 - Holy Cross
 - Monastery
 - New Vienna
 - Peosta
 - Placid
 - Rickardsville
 - Sherrill
 - Worthington

- Parents **DO NOT** have to stay in their vehicle during practice or games.
- Temperatures will not be taken at the field. It is **strongly recommended** that the parent/guardian take their player's temperature and each coach take their own temperature **before** coming to the field for practice or a game. It is **strongly recommended** that the coach ask their players if they have had their temperature taken.
- **ANYONE** with symptoms of an illness is not allowed to participate in or spectate a game or practice.
- Bleacher use will be limited or prohibited at the town's discretion. It is **strongly recommended** that you bring your own chairs or stand. Fans should practice social distancing between different household units.
- Games will be scheduled either at 6 p.m. or 8 p.m. Only one game will be played at a facility per time slot to ensure social distancing and proper sanitization of equipment.
- Fans/players should not arrive at the field more than 30 minutes prior to game time.
- Players/coaches shall have 20 minutes prior to their game to warm up on the field.
- Players/coaches shall have 10 minutes to clean and leave their dugout after the completion of their game.
- Spectators must leave the premises IMMEDIATELY upon completion of their game.
- Each parent will be required to sign a liability waiver to participate in the season.

Thank you for your consideration of these guidelines.