

# Gastineau Channel Little League

## Sandlot Baseball & Softball

### WHAT PARENTS AND PLAYERS CAN EXPECT

Parents,

We are glad to offer Sandlot Baseball and Softball for the months of June and July. The board has tried to come up with a system that will meet the State guidelines as well as keep the players safe and healthy. Below is a break down of what you can expect before, during, and after games.

#### Before Coming to the Field

- Is player registered with GCLL?
  - There is not a fee for the season, but we have to keep record of who plays in games
  - If a player comes to the field without being registered, they can play that day, but **must** register when they get home
- Does player have the Health Status Agreement Form Completed?
  - Parents can sign the form by going to <https://bit.ly/GCLLSandlotHealthForm2020>
- Make sure your player brings water in a bottle that is labeled; there is no sharing of food, seeds, or drinks
- Players are NOT required to wear masks. If they would like to, they are allowed to.
- At the field there will be an “Adult-in-Charge”. Their responsibility will be to check-in players, make sure that players are following mitigation plan, and to support players during the game. Their job is NOT to umpire or make decisions. In Sandlot games, it is the players that make the calls.

#### Warm-up Time

- When players come to field, they will need to check in. When lining up to check-in, please remind players to keep their distance. Below are questions they will be asked
  - Are they registered?
  - Do they have their Health Status Agreement Form Completed?
  - Ask them the COVID-19 questions. If ANY of these questions are yes, they are NOT allowed to play
    - Are you exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19?
    - Have you been in contact with anyone that may be positive for COVID-19 within the past 14 days?
    - Have you had a fever in the past 72 hours?
    - In the past 14 days, have you been out of Alaska? If so, did you get medically cleared?
- Once checked in, players will get a ball and warm-up. **Bags are NOT allowed in the dugout.** They can put their bags and personal items outside of the fence

### **Starting the Game**

- After the 30-minute warm-up time, the Adult-in-Charge will call players over and go over the rules and expectations:
  - Social Distancing is expected in the dugout, this means some people will have to stand on the outside (outside of the playing field)
  - No seeds, sharing food or drinks are allowed
  - Air High 5's only!
  - If you switch catchers during the game, equipment must be cleaned, unless it is your personal gear
  - If you are borrowing a helmet, it must be cleaned before another player uses it
- Players will choose 2 captains, which will pick their teams. (Captains will be recorded so that all players have a chance to be in that roll). The Adult-in-Charge will make sure that the teams have even pitchers and catchers.

### **During the Game - Players**

- During the game, players will make the calls and work together to figure out an issues or disagreements.
- Once players are split into teams, they will go to their respective dugouts
- Before batting, players hands and game balls for that team will be sanitized
- All foul balls must be retrieved by players only.

### **After the Game**

- Everything needs to be sanitized BEFORE being put away. Players will need to help the Adult-in-Charge by bringing equipment to them so it can be sanitized and put away.
- It is expected that all players and families leave the field 15 minutes after the game has been completed.

### **Information for Parents**

- Masks are not required, but they are recommended
- We are asking people to keep with the social distance guidelines and sit 6 feet apart from nonfamily members.
- Bleachers and dugouts will be sprayed with disinfectant before games.
- Please stay in vehicles until it is your players' division time to play.
- We ask that parents and families bring their own seats if possible. Bleachers are available, but seating is limited.

Lastly, please be patient with us. This is new to everyone and we are doing the best we can to follow the mitigation plan and keep all players safe. If you have any issues or concerns, please reach out to the board at [bod@juneaulittleleague.com](mailto:bod@juneaulittleleague.com). If you are interested in helping with Sandlot, please contact a board member.

Thank you,

Gastineau Channel Little League Board