

City of Jackson Parks & Recreation

COVID-19 General Facility Policies & Procedures

1. **City of Jackson Park & Recreation (COJP&R), Boys Baseball Association (BBA) Grove Park**, will strive to adhere to all federal, state, and city orders and guidelines relating to COVID-19. **COJP&R and BBA** reserves the right to modify these procedures to better adhere to those orders and guidelines and/or as those orders and guidelines evolve.
2. All present at the **COJP&R** facilities must adhere to applicable orders and guidelines and these Policies and Procedures; no individual is invited to the facilities for use that is not consistent with applicable orders and guidelines and these Policies and Procedures.
3. Any individual (player, coach, umpire, spectator, or other) who (a) has been diagnosed with **COVID-19**, (b) resides with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 in the last 14 days, or (c) who is showing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 is prohibited from all **COJP&R** facilities.
4. **COJP&R (BBA)**, if applicable per facilities, will restrict capacity of the 4-plex (Fields 1-4) and entry fields (Fields 5-6) to 50% in order to facilitate social distancing and other outlined procedures.
5. During practices and games, individuals and teams who are not participating in the practice/game are prohibited from using any of the open fields or batting cages.
6. Except as may be momentarily required for actual participation within practice and game play, social distancing must be practiced by everyone present at the facility. **COJP&R Leagues (BBA)** will measure and mark spectator locations surrounding fields and locations outside of restroom and concession areas at 6' intervals to facilitate social distancing.
7. During team practices, players may be accompanied by 1 family member/legal guardian such that the player-to-spectator ratio remains no more than 1:1. During games, players may be accompanied by family members/guardians such that the total number of game participants and spectators does not exceed outdoor gathering restrictions. It is suggested that this begin with a 1:1 or 2:1 player-to-spectator ratio, as may be appropriate.
8. **COJP&R Leagues (BBA)** will thoroughly clean the restrooms before and after each day's games. **COJP&R Leagues (BBA)** will also provide an attendant who will monitor and regularly clean the restrooms during games. The restrooms will be stocked with soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels, toilet tissue and all other necessary supplies. Restroom-cleaning workers will be required to wear face coverings and gloves at all times of cleaning. **COJP&R (BBA)** restrooms will not be open at other times.
9. **COJP&R Leagues (BBA)** will utilize anti-bacterial wipes to wipe down bleachers and certain other common areas/surfaces before and after each day's games.
10. **COJP&R Leagues (BBA)** will station hand sanitizer at locations throughout the facilities for use by players, coaches, umpires, and spectators (including in-game or in-practice use). Families are also encouraged to supply their players with their own personal sanitizing gels and/or wipes.
11. **COJP&R (BBA)** Concession workers will be required to wear face coverings and gloves during service hours.

12. Sunflower seeds and any other food that must be shelled to consume are prohibited at all **COJP&R facilities.**

City of Jackson Parks & Recreation (COJP&R) COVID-19 Field-of-Play Procedures for Games and Practices

1. Players, coaches, umpires, and spectators will adhere to the **(COJP&R) COVID-19** General Facility Policies & Procedures during games and practices.
2. During practices, only players and coaches (at most 3) may enter the field. Others are only to enter fields in cases of emergencies. Spectators may remain in their vehicles or take spaces as will be marked surrounding the fields; but they are prohibited from the bleachers (reserved for players). Spectators are encouraged to bring their own chairs.
3. During games, only players, coaches (at most 6), and 1 umpires may enter the field. Others are only to enter fields in case of emergencies. Spectators may remain in their vehicles or take spaces as will be marked surrounding the fields; but they are prohibited from the bleachers (reserved for players). Spectators are encouraged to bring their own chairs.
4. No more than 1 player and 1 coach may enter a batting cage at a time.
5. Dugouts are only to be used for team equipment storage (not storage of personal equipment), with bats to be left inside the field fencing while players and coaches play defense or use bleachers or other designated seating (as to provide space and distance) when on offense.
6. In all umpired games, The **leagues** will utilize only 1 umpire. In player-pitcher **league** games, the umpire will not be positioned behind home plate and will take a position 6' or more behind the pitcher (moving in instances where a coach-pitcher completes an at-bat). In coach-pitcher games, the umpire will stand 6' or more behind the hitter and/or catcher.
- 7. Players, coaches, and umpires are required to wear face coverings.**
8. Coaches should communicate/interact with players and umpires at a distance. There should be no close "team huddles" and only head coaches may conference with umpires (with conferences kept to a minimum).
9. Players may not share helmets, gloves, hats, or bats during practices and games. For divisions traditionally using player-catchers, The leagues will develop additional policies and procedures that will be specific to each division.
10. At the end of each game, sportsmanship will be displayed as teams line up on the 1st and 3rd base lines and exchange tips of the cap (not handshakes or high fives).
11. Team/community coolers are prohibited. Players are only permitted to drink from their own personal coolers, jugs, bottles, etc.
12. When arriving, teams are encouraged to sanitize their bleachers and equipment as coaches and families deem appropriate.
13. At the conclusion of each practice or game, teams and spectators are expected to clean behind themselves and promptly depart the field.