

ANTIETAM SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC FACILITIES COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS

To conduct activities on Antietam School District property, our facilities must be located in either a Commonwealth designated Yellow or Green Phase or other future designated Phase sufficient to allow the activity to take place. In addition, organizations and teams authorized to conduct in-person activities pursuant to Commonwealth guidance **must adhere to all the following**:

- Sponsors of activities, coaches and league officials must review and follow the CDC guidance for any activity, for youth sports to modify practices and games all in order to mitigate the risk of spreading the virus. This includes focusing on individual skill building versus competition and limiting contact in close contact sports.
- The sponsor, community, league, or team must designate a primary point of contact for all questions related to COVID-19, and all participants, parents, athletes, officials, and coaches must be provided the person's contact information.
- The sponsor, community, league, or team must develop a plan of action in the event a participant, athlete, coach, or official falls ill, make the plan publicly available, explain it to the entire community or sport community and follow it.
- The sponsor, community, league, or team must educate all participants, athletes, staff and families about the symptoms of COVID-19 and when to stay home. Athletes also should be educated on proper hand washing and sanitizing.
- Sponsors, participants, coaching staff and other adult personnel should wear face coverings (masks or face shields) at all times, unless doing so jeopardizes their health.
- Sponsor, participants, coaches and athletes must maintain appropriate social distancing at all times possible, including in the location of the activity, field of play, sidelines, dugouts, benches, and workout areas. At no time should participants, athletes and coaches congregate.
- Coaches and athletic staff must screen, take each child's temperature prior to any practice and game and monitor athletes for symptoms prior to and during games and practices. If individuals participating in sporting activities show symptoms, have a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher, or are sick, they must be sent home.
- Sponsors, participants, athletes, coaches, and officials must bring their own water and drinks to activities and not share those drinks. Group or team water coolers for sharing through disposable cups are not allowed. Fixed water fountains should not be used.
- Activities that increase the risk of exposure to saliva must not be allowed including chewing gum, spitting, licking fingers, and eating sunflower seeds.
- Sponsors and coaches must prohibit shaking hands, fist bumps, or high fives before, during or after activities, games and practices. Limit unnecessary

physical contact with other participants, teammates, other athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators.

- Whenever possible, equipment and other personal items should be separated and not shared. If equipment must be shared, all equipment should be properly disinfected between users.
- If multiple events or games are to be held at the same facility, adequate time shall be scheduled between events and contests to allow for facilities to be cleaned and disinfected, and to minimize interaction between participants and athletes. Activities or sports complexes with multiple fields may operate simultaneous activities, games or practices on fields within a complex only if social distancing can be maintained. Each individual activity, game or practice at a complex must adhere to the gathering occupancy limits (25 in yellow, 250 in green), and the facility as a whole may not exceed 50% of total occupancy otherwise permitted by law but in no event to exceed 25 in Yellow and 250 in Green.
- Concession stands or other food must adhere to the [Guidance for Businesses in the Restaurant Industry](#).

To operate games or practice, organizations and teams that are otherwise permitted to conduct in-person activities pursuant to this guidance **are encouraged to do the following**:

- In counties in the Yellow Phase of Reopening, indoor training or sports may only be conducted by organizations subject to supervision or regulation of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association or National Collegiate Athletic Associations, and only in accordance with guidance provided by those governing bodies and the Pennsylvania Department of Education . Start by limiting games, scrimmages, and matches to teams in your region first. Expand beyond regional play if cases continue to stay low.
- Adult athletes are encouraged to wear face coverings when they are not engaged in a sporting activity, unless doing so jeopardizes their health.
- Coaches should create a back-up staffing plan which should include cross-training staff and coaches and training all coaches and officials on safety protocols.
- Limit cash transactions to the extent possible; find alternative ways to charge admission and pay for concessions.
- Create protocols to limit entrance and exit traffic, designating specific entry to and exits from facilities. Establish protocols to ensure staggered pick up and drop off for practice and events and ensure that athletes are not congregating while awaiting pick up and to ensure congregation or crowding does not occur on drop off. Pickups and drop offs should remain outside. Parents should not enter the facility.

Guidance for Sponsors, Caregivers and Spectators

- Seating areas, including bleachers, must adhere to social distancing requirements of at least 6 feet of spacing for anyone not in the same household. To assist with proper social distancing, areas should be clearly marked. Adults should wear face coverings (masks or face shields) at all times.
- Caregivers or spectators should not enter the field of play or bench areas.
- Nonessential visitors, spectators, and volunteers should be limited when possible, including activities with external groups or organizations. Parents should refrain from attending practices or volunteering to assist with coaching.
- Sponsors, caregivers and coaches should assess levels of risk based on individual participants or athletes on the team who may be at a higher risk for severe illness.
- Sponsors and caregivers should monitor their children for symptoms prior to any event. Participants, children and athletes who are sick or showing symptoms must stay home.

Further Guidance and Support

In addition to this guidance, communities and organizations should also review the [CDC's Considerations for Youth Sports](#).

See answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) involving [application of the business safety order](#).

Help is available for people who are struggling with their mental or emotional health or feeling anxious or overly stressed. Contact the Crisis Text Line by texting PA to 741-741.

The Administration recognizes the difficulty of procuring materials businesses need to safely resume operations. If assistance is needed to locate masks and other supplies to carry out these required safety procedures, please visit [DCED's Business2Business Interchange](#).

Being a duly authorized representative of _____, I
(Name of Organization)

hereby acknowledge our commitment to comply with the above regulations for the use of Antietam School District facilities during the Covid-19 Pandemic and that the undersigned, its heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless and defend Antietam School District, hereinafter referred to as "Antietam," their agents, servants and employees, officers, supervisors and directors, from any and all liability whatsoever, including attorney fees by reason of any injury to persons, including death at any time resulting therefrom, arising out of use of Antietam facilities, whether such injuries to persons or damage to property are due or claimed to be due to any action or inaction of the Antietam, their agents, servants and

employees, officers, supervisors and directors. It is further understood and agreed that the undersigned shall, at the option of the Antietam, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Antietam their agents, servants and employees, officers, supervisors and directors with appropriate counsel and shall further bear all costs and expenses, including the expense of counsel, in the defense of any suit arising hereunder.

Name and Title

Date