

2020 Nordonia Hills Athletic Association (NHAA)

Coaches

“Responsible Restart Ohio” (Baseball/Softball)

In an effort to comply with the Governor DeWine’s recent changes to the mandates, the NHAA will be instituting the following standards of operations for all players and coaches under our program. You are each required to review the most up to date guidelines that are located on our home page for guidance, and refer to them often as it changes frequently. We will do our best to provide you with the most accurate changes as they become available. The NHAA has a no tolerance policy for conduct unbecoming a coach to an official, player or parent. Coaches are expected to maintain respect, and provide an atmosphere that is safe, educational, and fun. Any complaints are taken serious by the board and coaches may be removed from coaching for the remainder of the season based on the complaints and investigation. Remember the number one reason why children do not return to youth sportsbad coaches.

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- Masks are no longer a mandate, they are personal choice if you prefer to wear one, we are not able to enforce wearing a mask or not, that was changed last week through the Ohio Department of Health and is a recommendation. Individuals who choose to wear a mask shall not be frowned upon, made fun of, or ridiculed in anyway.
- You MUST maintain a 6 ft distance of all players and umpires. This is a mandate from the state.
- You are responsible for keeping track of all children coaches and umpires at each NHAA sponsored event. This MUST be turned in to the league trustee at the close of each practice and game. This can be as simple as documenting it in your scorebook, and taking a picture of it then emailing to your league trustee.
- You will be responsible for obtaining a signed NHAA COVID19 waiver from each parent/child and coach on your roster for your team. This must be completed and signed prior to the child/coach stepping on the fields.
- Benches will be closed for teams to congregate, benches will be reserved for the on deck batter and in the hole batter. Equipment bags can be hung on the back side of the dugout, to prevent children from entering the dugout to get equipment while others are in there waiting to bat. Each child will bring their own chair to the game for seating in between innings, it is your responsibility to ensure that the team is not congregating in groups. Fields will be marked where teams can sit to ensure the 6 ft rule.
- Parents are required to sit away from dug outs, and down either 1st base or 3rd base line, in at the end of the outfield, while maintaining social distancing during play.
- There will be no hand shake at the end of the game, recommend lining up on each base line and tipping your hat to one another is show of good sportsmanship
- End of the game meetings may take place to review the game with your teams while keeping distance from one another either in their chairs or in an outfield to provide as much distance from one another.

- Each team will be provided with hand sanitizer and a disinfectant spray to use on shared equipment such as catchers gear/ facemasks for pitching/etc. Each child shall have their own Helmet, Bat, and glove to minimize any sharing of equipment except those necessary.

This season is about FUN, and playing ball with others from around the community. Emphasis should be placed on developing each child's abilities and creating memories during a difficult time. We appreciate your willingness to support us this season while we strive to provide your family and children a summer to remember, either making the final out to win the game, hitting a home run, or going for ice cream. We appreciate your willingness to follow these standards. Should you have any questions at any time please discuss with league specific trustee.