



LAFAYETTE LITTLE LEAGUE PROTOCOLS MAY 16, 2020

THESE PROTOCOLS ARE JOINTLY DEVELOPED BY LAFAYETTE LITTLE LEAGUE, THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE, LAFAYETTE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND ARE IMPLEMENTED WITH THE WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR. THEY WILL REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL MODIFIED BY LAFAYETTE LITTLE LEAGUE, THE CITY, AND SCHOOL DISTRICT.

PROTOCOLS MUST BE STRICTLY COMPLIED WITH, ANY FAILURE WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF ACCESS TO CITY OF LAFAYETTE FIELDS AND LOSS OF ACCESS TO LAFAYETTE LITTLE LEAGUE EQUIPMENT.

1. All field time is assigned by Lafayette Little League. Teams may only use fields during their scheduled field time. There are no open times. All use is scheduled specifically by team.
2. Only Lafayette Little League recognized teams of the same consistent group of 12 Lafayette Little League registered players may have access to fields and equipment. Use is permitted by regular season rostered teams and all-star teams only. No extra players, siblings, "call ups," or rotational players can practice with a team to which they are not assigned at any time.
3. No two teams may be on the same field at any time. All field use is for a specific team. All field use is for practice only initially as of May 11, 2020 pursuant to current guidelines allowing groups of 12 kids or less to gather for physical fitness purposes. No games will be held until groups of kids larger than 12 are permitted to gather by local guidelines.
4. No parents, grandparents, siblings, spectators, fans, or other people besides the team's rostered players and coaches may be in attendance at any practice. Others may not leave their cars.
5. Carpools are not permitted other than by members of the same family living in the same household. All players must arrive by parent or guardian.
6. All players and coaches should take their temperature before leaving for any practice and will be instructed that they are not permitted to attend if their temperature is over 100.4 degrees.
7. All players and coaches will be instructed to stay home if they have any symptoms of illness including, but not limited to: temperature, cough, sore throat, sneezing, body aches, loss of sense of smell, difficulty breathing, or fatigue.
8. There will be no shared equipment. There are no exceptions to this rule. Players must bring their own bat, glove, helmet, batting gloves, or any other equipment. No such equipment may be used by multiple players. Players should purchase their own helmets and bats.
9. All coaches should bring hand sanitizer or wipes to practice if possible and make them available before and after practice. Players should bring their own sanitizer if possible.
10. All players and coaches shall be instructed to shower and change their clothes immediately after returning home from practice.

11. No catchers may be used unless they are (a) wearing their own personally owned catcher's gear; and (b) using their own personal glove. No shared use of catcher's gear or gloves is allowed.
12. No handshakes, fist bumps, elbow bumps, or contact of any kind is allowed at any time.
13. Players should be kept 6 feet apart, including in dugouts. Dugouts may not be used by entire teams. If teams desire to have players sit, players should be instructed to bring their own chairs and chairs should be spread out behind dugouts, outside of the fence, a minimum of 6 feet apart.
14. Players are not permitted to gather or huddle around batting cages. A maximum of one player in the batting cage and one player waiting by the batting cage door is allowed. All other players should be elsewhere on the field, at least 6 feet apart.
15. There will be no use of the Buckeye snack shack at this time.
16. All practices are strictly limited to 90 minutes. Activity or gatherings of any kind before or after practice or "extra" practice time are prohibited. There is no loitering at the field before or after practice. The team manager should arrive early to assure that all protocols are followed and should not leave until all players have been picked up.
17. Non-baseball gatherings at the fields are strictly prohibited. There are no snacks after practice, gatherings, or celebrations of any kind. No food should be brought to practice and players should not share water bottles or other drinks at any time. Participation in Lafayette Little League practice activities at this time is intended to provide a safe, socially distant physical fitness activity for players, allowing parents to focus on working at home, providing essential services, or contributing to an essential business or activity.
18. Managers and coaches must wear personal protective equipment face coverings or surgical masks at this time.
19. We hope to begin games when groups of more than 12 kids are permitted by local guidelines, however until these protocols are modified by joint action of Lafayette Little League and the City of Lafayette, use as of May 16, 2020 is for practice only by established and already rostered Lafayette Little League teams. The next step may include games without fans, when permitted by local guidelines. We are working on livestream cameras for the fields to permit parents and fans to view games at home, on the internet, if this becomes permitted.