

GIRLS IN THE GAME RETURN TO PLAY POLICY

At Girls in the Game, we want all girls to have a chance to play. However, we want to make sure that playing is safe. In alignment with CDC guidelines, Girls in the Game will be taking the following precautions to maintain safety.

Girls in the Game has adapted our programming structure to maintain the safety of all program participants and staff. This includes limiting program size and splitting program sessions into several smaller sessions.

All Coaches will be trained on this policy. Any Coach who does not abide by this policy will be dismissed from coaching at Girls in the Game.



PROGRAMMING LOCATION

Girls in the Game Coaches will use outdoor space whenever possible. When outdoor space is not available, Girls in the Game staff will ensure the indoor space being utilized is ventilated according to CDC guidelines.

PARENTAL CONSENT

All participants are required to have a signed intake form to be allowed to participate in programming. Any participant that does not have an intake form signed will not be allowed to participate in programming.



VISITORS TO PROGRAM

For the protection of all participants and staff, nonessential visitors, spectators, volunteers or parents/guardians will not be allowed in programming space.



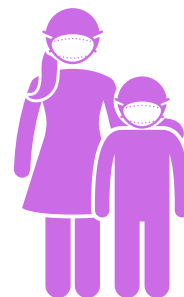
Teen participants will not be allowed to attend in-person programming sessions with younger girls until Stage 4 of reopening.

DROP OFF AND DISMISSAL

Only one adult will be allowed to drop off and pick up participants. Girls in the Game Coaches will bring participants individually out of the programming space to parent/guardians during pick-up.

Coaches will follow school policy around dismissal.

Upon arrival to the program setting, Coaches will screen participants for symptoms using the CDC symptom checklist.



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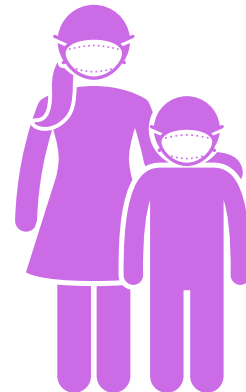
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Drop off and Dismissal cont.

Coaches and participants will continue to wear masks and practice social distancing during dismissal. Messaging will be sent home to parent/guardians requesting that they wear masks when picking up their participant. When possible, Coaches will wait with participants outside during dismissal and will ask parents/guardians not to come into the program space when picking up the participant.

Parent/Guardians will be given a number to call when they are at the location and ready to pick up their participant. One Coach will walk out one participant at a time to minimize potential exposure.

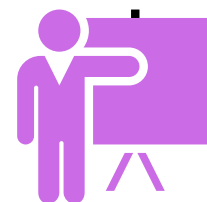


SNACKS

Coaches and participants will not be allowed to bring any food into the programming spaces.

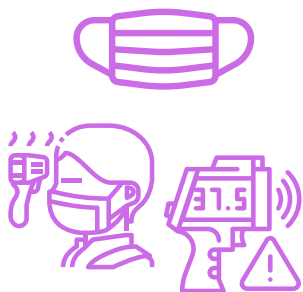
CURRICULUM

Girls in the Game has identified curriculum that is no contact and can be used while participants are social distancing. All coaches will be utilizing this no-contact curriculum for all program sessions during all stages of reopening. This curriculum includes no contact sports and activities such as yoga, running and skill building drills.



HYGIENE AND ETIQUETTE

Participants will be required to wear masks to all programming sessions. If a participant does not have a mask, they will be given one by their Coach.



All coaches will have a no-contact thermometer available to perform temperature checks on participants prior to joining programming. If a participant has a temperature of 100°F or greater, Coaches will request that the parents/guardians take the participant home.

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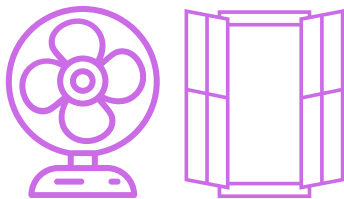
Participants will have designated bathroom breaks during the session. Participants will be asked to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer during these breaks.

Participants will be asked to use hand sanitizer after coughing/sneezing. Per the CDC guidelines, all coughs and sneezes should be covered with a sleeve or tissue.



Coaches will use gloves when disposing of all trash.

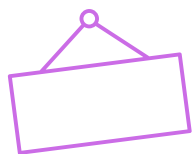
Participant backpacks and other belongings will be placed in plastic bags at the beginning of programming and remain in the bags until after the session is over.



Coaches will turn on all available fans and open windows at the beginning of a programming session.

Participants will not be allowed to drink from water fountains. Coaches will encourage participants to bring a filled water bottle to sessions. Participant names should be clearly labeled on the water bottle.

Single use bottled water will be available for participants who don't have a reusable water bottle. Coaches will label each water bottle with the participants name to avoid any mixing of bottles.

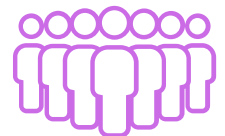


SIGNAGE

Coaches will post laminated signs in all program spaces to inform participants of coronavirus safety guidelines.

GROUPING STRATEGIES

Coaches will divide participants into groups of groups of 13 or fewer, with two Coaches per group. Groups will remain fixed throughout programming to minimize contact between participants. If possible, the groups will reflect the classrooms/grades of the school or site to minimize interaction.



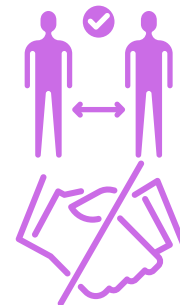
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GROUPING STRATEGIES cont.

Coaches will arrange participants 6 feet away from each other using cones, polypots and/or tape. All activities will be able to be conducted with participants maintaining 6 feet of distance.

Coaches will discourage any any close interaction including high fives, handshakes, fist bumps and hugs.

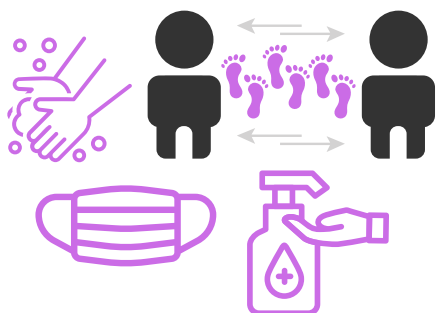
Coaches will not engage in “huddles” until full reopening occurs.



PROGRAMMING PREPARATION

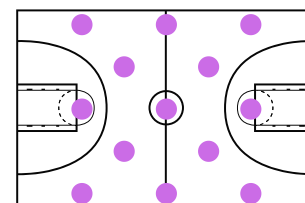
Prior to programming occurs, coaches will identify and sanitize high touch areas in the space, using 60% alcohol.

Coaches will set up the space with polypots/cones to indicate safe participant locations.



Once programming starts, coaches will continue to remind participants of safety protocol:

- Correct handwashing
- Social distancing
- Face coverings and how to safely remove face coverings
- Hand sanitizing



Coaches will play the CDC video guidance for participants, when possible.

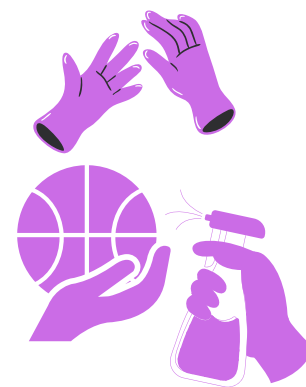


EQUIPMENT

Before programming, Coaches will sanitize equipment with 60% or higher alcohol. Coaches will wear gloves when handling equipment and distributing to participants.

Coaches will only bring equipment if there is enough for each participant to have their own. Coaches will lead activities that do not require sharing of space. No equipment will be shared between participants.

Coaches will sanitize equipment following all programming with 60% or higher alcohol.



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SUPPLIES & USAGE OF SUPPLIES

All coaches will come to programming with the following:

Soap, gloves, hand sanitizer (60% alcohol), paper towels, tissues, disinfectant supplies, face coverings for themselves, face coverings for participants who don't have their own, plastic garbage bags, no touch soap/hand sanitizer dispensers.

INCIDENTS OF SYMPTOMATIC PARTICIPANTS

If a participant displays coronavirus symptoms, the coach will take the participant to the front office and contact the participants.

Participants who have symptoms will not be allowed to attend programming unless they have a doctor's notice stating they have tested negative for COVID-19 and are no longer displaying symptoms of coronavirus.



COACH SAFETY

Girls in the Game will ensure that any coach exhibiting Covid-19 or flu-like symptoms will not attend programming. Girls in the Game staff will be informed of the CDC-identified symptoms of COVID-19 and give guidance to Coaches about remaining at home if they exhibit any of the symptoms. Girls in the Game will make sure that they have confirmed negative for COVID-19 and are not exhibiting symptoms prior to returning to programming.

If a Coach has an underlying medical condition that places them at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19, they should inform Girls in the Game Operations Manager that they are a member of a high-risk group. Girls in the Game will adjust their duties as needed.

If a Coach is identified as being COVID-19 positive, all those who may have had contact with that Coach will be notified by Girls in the Game staff. All staff in contact with that Coach will be required to quarantine for 14 days prior to returning to programming.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT:
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