



Statement from Schererville Baseball League

Schererville Baseball League will offer an opportunity to play ball this season. Thank you for being patient. Below is the latest information on the 2020 season. After receiving the "Back On Track Indiana Plan" from the Governor as well as approval from the Lake County Health Department, SBL will implement the following policies:

Refunds: SBL will offer an option for a partial refund to anyone registered in the spring 2020 season. In preparation for the Spring 2020 season Schererville Baseball League incurs many expenses such as insurance, maintenance, and utilities that are paid monthly. The refund is your child's registration fee less an overhead calculation of \$42.94 for every player registered based on the expenses that have been paid thus far year-to-date. We understand things have changed. The timing is different; and some are not comfortable playing under current circumstances of an existing pandemic. If you are requiring a refund for the 2020 in-house season, please send an email to sblrefund20@gmail.com. This deadline to request a refund is Friday, May 15th is a drop-dead date, and no exceptions will be allowed.

SBL is obligated to many of its yearly expenses (utilities, insurance, charter, field care, repairs, etc.) whether we play or not, so there is also an option to donate your registration fee. Donations are always greatly appreciated. We are a 100% volunteer organization and are 100% responsible for all of our maintenance and operations expenses. Either way, make your choice in the next few

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days so we can reschedule the season with those still wanting to play.

Playing this Season: We will open fields to practice starting after Monday, June 15th. Games would begin June 29th and end in late August. Both practices and games will be played with the modified rules and procedures below. Teams will be adjusted and reallocated based on players still wishing to participate.

Players, Coaches, Spectators Safety Modifications:

All are responsible to monitor the health of each participant and spectator. Any persons having a fever or other symptoms of COVID-19, or recently exposed to this with symptoms will not be allowed access to the SBL Complex.

All players, coaches and spectators are required to complete the COVID-19 Babe Ruth waiver prior to participating or entering the park.

Seniors and those with significant health risks are asked to follow CDC guidelines and not attend events or take appropriate precautions.

Spectators are encouraged to wear PPE such as face buffs/surgical masks.

Team Shared equipment (catcher's gear & batting helmets) will require cleaning and sanitizing of equipment after each game/practice.



Parents/Spectators are requested to maintain a proper social distance of 6 feet when on premises. Lawn Chairs are encouraged.

Before/After game Sportsmanship rituals will be conducted in other manners. No lining up/shaking hands.

There will be no Catcher in T-Ball & Rookie Division.

No sunflower seeds, gum etc. allowed in the SBL Complex.

Wall Ball on the backsides of the dugouts will be PROHIBITED

Facilities will increase frequency of cleaning and sanitizing in areas of high traffic.

Practices will be open to players and coaches only.

Spectators are requested to leave after their games are over, and not allowed to congregate in the park.

Concession workers will be under strict guidelines.

SBL will provide hand sanitizer to all teams and placed in dugouts.

All restrictions are subject to change based on new information or guidance from local, state and federal health officials.

The plan for this time is to have a full season and to get the players as much baseball in as possible.

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Please submit your refund request by May 15th via the email provided, and feel free to reach out to us with any further questions. As mentioned above, if you intend to still play - no further action is required.

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