

Meriden YMCA 2020 Fall Sports Frequently Asked Questions

What safety guidelines are the Meriden-New Britain-Berlin YMCA Fall Sports programs following?

The Meriden-New Britain-Berlin YMCA Fall Sports programs are following all of the guidelines and requirements from federal, state, and local governments as well as the YMCA including: the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (OEC), State of Connecticut Department of Public Health, and YUSA.

What are the safety protocols for Flag Football?

- Temperature checks at Ceppa Field gate before entering field
- Coaches will be required to wear masks, not players
- Hand sanitizer will be available for each team
- Each team will use their own ball, which will be cleaned and sanitized after each offensive possession
- No shaking hands after each game, a different way to show sportsmanship will be used
- Spectators will be asked to remain socially distant on the sideline, 6 feet apart. Two guests per player. Spectators are asked to stay a minimum of 10 feet back from the sideline.

What are the safety protocols for Fall Outdoor Soccer?

- Temperature checks
- Hand sanitizer will be available for players, coaches, and parents.
- Coaches will be required to wear masks, players will not be required.
- Equipment will be wiped and sanitized after each age group.
- No shaking hands after each game, a different way to show sportsmanship will be used
- Parents and children may not stay and play at Mountain Mist after hour is complete.
- Spectators will be asked to remain socially distant on the sideline, 6 feet apart. Two guests per player. Spectators are asked to stay a minimum of 10 feet back from the sideline.

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What are the safety protocols for Fall Basketball and Indoor Soccer?

- Masks must be worn in the building. Players may remove their mask when they are playing in the gym. All others including coaches, referees, scorekeepers and spectators will be required to wear masks.
- Temperature checks for everyone at the front desk upon entering the Y.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for each team.
- Each team will use their own ball for warm ups, which will be cleaned and sanitized after each game.
- The ball will be rotated and cleaned after each game.
- No shaking hands after each game, a different way to show sportsmanship will be used.
- One spectator per player will be allowed. Four socially distanced spots will be available on the bleachers for a total of eight spots. Bleachers will be wiped down in between games. All others please bring your own chairs. All spectators are required to be socially distant, 6 feet apart. A livestream option will be available for families.

Will there be a draft for the basketball teams this year?

There is no draft this year. Justin and Kyle will put the teams together with the coaches.

Will there be practice before the games?

- For outdoor soccer, each age group practices before they play a game, during their meeting time.
- Basketball coaches will review plays and proper techniques with their players.
- Flag Football coaches often arrive a little bit early and practice on the sideline with their players.

What skill levels do participants need to have?

All skill levels are welcomed.

Are volunteer coaches needed?

Yes. Please contact Kyle or Justin at 203.235.6386.

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