

PWSI LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

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Dear PWSI Members,

With our transition into Phase II of our Return to Play Plan, I wanted to send an update and communications on our continued efforts to keep our players, staff and families safe. Northern Virginia continues to flatten the curve and we must and will remain vigilant to do our part and ask you to join us in that quest.

Toward that goal, we have enacted two new policies for our staff: (1) our coaches are now required to report their temperature to their respective Director prior to training every day they train; and (2) any coach or staff who travels out of Virginia is must notify us of their destination and will require a 14-day quarantine or negative test upon return before returning to the field if traveling to a virus hotspot (e.g. Florida, Myrtle Beach).

In Phase II we allow for incidental player contact in modified activities for a limited time within the session. Led by Quan Phan, our Technical Director, we hosted a webinar for our coaches to review examples of approved and unapproved activities as well as remind our staff on the importance of their vigilance in social distancing from the time of arrival to departure of our players.

Training sessions have been extended to 60-minutes with staggered start times on each field and a minimum of 15 minutes between to minimize contact. Our staff will continue to disinfect the equipment before and after each session.

While training observation is now permitted, we want to communicate the following guidelines to help keep everyone safe:

- Anyone over 10 years old is encouraged to wear a mask while traveling to and from your car.
- Do not lean on the fence or any surface and maintain 10 feet of distance between you and the fence line.
- Do not stop, stand or sit on any sidewalks (e.g. between fields 1 & 2) as our membership uses this space to walk/run.
- Spectators should maintain social distancing and respect the space of other spectators.
- After training, meet your child near the parking lot instead of walking toward the fields as this limits the ability to socially distance. (Coaches have been asked to be deliberate in dismissing players after training and avoid exit points that don't allow for players/families to spread out. Players will not be allowed to exit fields with adults near the entrance.)

We appreciate the efforts of our membership to keep one another safe. Your reporting of any concerns and/or potential exposures have allowed us to be proactive in communicating with teams, isolating players and coaches and maintain general wellness of the group. We ask you to continue to communicate with us and continue the daily temperature checks of players and family members. Please keep any player home with a temperature above 100.4, with symptoms of the virus (review the PWSI RTP Plan) or potential exposure.

As a reminder, Howison Park is closed, except by permit/approval from Prince William Soccer. We understand and appreciate the desire for the players to play real soccer but must ask you to avoid these unauthorized events. Players should not be playing in local tournaments as those create risk for all of us. We have canceled plans to attend the August 1-2 event for our older teams with the intention of being ready for a full season at the end of August.

Sincerely,

Mike Cullina
Executive Director

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