**Agape Hoops Covid-19 Response Plan**

**The following are Post Covid-19 Return to Play Guidelines Agape Hoops has compiled from a number of sources which reflect the latest CDC guidelines as well national sports organizational guidelines to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of athletes, coach’s parents and fans.**

**Summarized Measures:**

**Agape Hoops Safety measures in place:**

* Masks required for all coaches, referees, parents at all times
* Masks required for all players while on the bench and not playing in the game
* Attendance is limited to 1 person per player
* Temperature checks of all who enter the venue
* Only teams playing the game are allowed in the gym, all others wait outside
* Sanitizing of benches and seats in between games
* Hand sanitizing stations available
* Contract tracing sheets signed by each participant/parent/coach & ref
* Waivers signed by parents and coaches
* Social distancing of spectators on bleachers and all others while in the building (except players on the court during games)
* Entrance/exit flow of traffic managed to facilitate social distancing

**Further details:**

***Information below is from Return to Play Guidelines from USSSA and USA Volleyball.***

**POST COVID-19 201.4: USSSA Basketball Return to Play**

**Summary of recommended Best Practices:**

1. Follow all local and state guidelines for facilities and events.

2. No spectators or spectator limit should be 1:1 ratio of parent/spectator to player.

3. No handshakes, high fives, or prayer or group assemblies.

4. Develop methods of noncontact celebrations and gestures of sportsmanship.

5. Spectators to always wear face masks.

6. Players and coaches wear masks while on the bench, players do not wear masks in actual play on the court.

7. Game balls to be sanitized every quarter, including halftime and after each game.

8. Game officials encouraged to wear gloves and face masks during all games.

**RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES FOR INDIVIDUALS (Coaches, Players & Spectators)**: Adhere to the most stringent federal, state or local guidelines when participating in any activity.

**Before Activities**

* Be symptom free for at least 14 days prior to any activity.
* Stay home if you are sick or do not feel well.
* Be aware of and disclose any potential contacts with affected individuals.
* Wash and sanitize your hands often.
* Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
* Practice social distancing regularly.
* Wear a face mask to reduce exposure to airborne particles.
* Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
* Keep a list of people you have been in contact with each day.

 **During Activities**

* Refrain from attending any activity if displaying any COVID-19 symptoms.
* Comply with all permissible regulations approved for the venue.
* Wash and sanitize your hands often.
* Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
* Refrain from contacting other participants and attendees (high fives and huddles).
* Practice social distancing as often as possible.
* Wear a face mask while at the venue.
* Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
* Bring hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes.
* Properly dispose of your personal drinking cups, bottles, or utensils used.
* Keep a list of people you were in contact with during the activity.

**After Activities**

* Wash and sanitize your hands often.
* Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
* Monitor your health and report any symptoms after every activity.
* Practice social distancing as often as possible.
* Wear a face mask when possible to reduce exposure to airborne particles.
* Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
* Wash and sanitize all gear, uniforms and apparel used during the activity.

**Contact Tracing:**

* **If anyone on your team test positives please report to Agape Hoops as soon as possible so we can notify all impacted.**

**TOURNAMENTS & LEAGUES:**

**General:**

* Waivers for coaches, players & spectators must be signed
* Contact tracing sign-sheet in for all in attendance must be completed
* Pre-screening of players, coaches & spectators before entrance (fever & symptom check)
* Sanitizing stations will be available at all venues
* Games will be staggered to allow for sanitizing areas & equipment
* To control the number of people spectators and teams can only be present while their team is playing
* Basketballs, benches, score table etc. will be disinfected between all games
* All scores will be posted on the website not onsite for the sake of crowd control

**Teams & Coaches**

* 1 Coach per team will work the score table.
* Eliminate on-site team check-in if possible. All registrations must be pre-paid.
* All participants must bring their own water bottle. No fountains will be available.
* Only teams playing will be allowed in the gym
* Game times will be staggered to allow for clean-up after each game
* Practice basketball specific social distancing protocols such as elimination of handshakes, high fives, and huddles.
* No touch procedure for awards presentation (awards given to 1 coach to handout outside of gym
* Parents encouraged to supply their players with antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer for disinfecting shared playing equipment and cleaning hands

**Parents & Spectators**

* Spectators will be limited
* All spectators must wear masks and practice social distancing

**CLUB & TEAM PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Follow all local and state guidelines as well as facility and event guidelines for all team activities.
2. Verify that venue staff, club staff and participants are symptom free before participating in any activities
3. Remove anyone from a club activity if they exhibit any COVID-19 symptoms.
4. Limit the number of people in the facility to be compliant with local guidance.
5. Modify drills or activities to limit/reduce potential violations of social distancing requirements including but not limited to: high fives, huddles, and team meetings.
6. Encourage all attendees to practice social distancing.
7. No team/player handshakes, no team/player high fives, and no group gatherings between teams on the field. Try to keep social distancing between teams. Ask team members to tip their caps to the other team – from across the field – after a game.
8. Encourage parents to supply their players with antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer for disinfecting shared playing equipment and cleaning hands between innings.
9. Limit person-to-person contact as much as possible.
10. Allow players to wear PPE items if they choose, as long as the items do not compromise the safety of the game.
11. Teams are encouraged to disinfect hard surface areas (benches, balls, etc.) upon first arriving.
12. Players should bring their own, personal cooler instead of using a team cooler. No sharing of water bottles. Each player must have their own water container, or teams should provide disposable cups for their players and coaching staff.