



FORE SAFETY UPDATES IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

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Dear First Tee Families,

The following are steps that we will take *together* to ensure the safety of you, your children, and our coaches while participating in First Tee programs during the time of Covid-19, and beyond. These steps are based on the guidelines set forth by the CDC, NCDHHS, and the NC Governor's office, so as those update in relation to COVID-19 best practices, these will, too. Some of these measures have already been in place, but we have included all of our practices below. Updates are typed in *italics*. Thank you for reading this for understanding with your children so that there are no surprises when you arrive at programs this summer. Please do not hesitate to clarify any of this information with the help of the Program Team.

The **FORE CATEGORIES** that include updated health and safety measures are:

1. Check-In and Check-Out
2. Sanitization
3. Physical Distancing
4. Clear & Concise Communication

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT

1. *Both participant and parent will check-in together at a designated check-in area labeled with signage.*
2. *Temperatures of participants will be taken and recorded using no-contact infrared thermometers. If the participant's temperature is 100.4 degrees or higher, they will not be permitted to participate that day, and they will be asked to return home.*
 - a. *If parents are aware of changes in the participant's body temperature and/or have witnessed signs and symptoms related to Covid-19 prior to class, we ask that parents call ahead to let us know they will not be attending class that evening. See FAQ for a list of Covid-19 signs and symptoms.*
3. *Participants will sanitize hands at check-in and check-out with sanitizer provided by First Tee.*
4. *For PLAYer level and up, parents are not required to stay and watch class. If the parent is going to leave, we will need to know who the participant is leaving with.*
5. *Little Linkster parents are required to stay, and they will be asked to watch from a designated area that is a safe distance away from class activities.*
6. *If a child does not have their own clubs, they will be given a small, sanitized set upon arrival that only they will use throughout class.*
7. *Participants will report to their coach immediately after checking in and wait with them until further directions are given.*
8. *At check-out, participants with their own clubs will be directed towards their pick-up person. Participants who borrowed clubs will be directed to a drop-off spot, one at a time, and will then meet up with their pick-up person.*
9. *Check-out with the same coach who checked you in.*

SANITIZATION

1. *Masks are encouraged for use by participants, but not required. Coaches will all have a mask to use when within 6 feet of the participants.*
2. *Participants will sanitize hands at check-in and check-out.*
3. *Coaches may elect to wear latex gloves when handling equipment.*
4. *All borrowed equipment will be sanitized before and after each class using spray consisting of 60 % isopropyl alcohol. No equipment will be shared.*
5. *Participants must bring their own water bottles. Coolers and cups are no longer provided.*
6. *Water breaks will now include hand sanitizing.*

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

1. *Class sizes are currently restricted to 10, and the different certification levels will be spread out over the course of three hours to minimize the potential of large gatherings.*
2. *Participants will be shown what a distance of 6 feet looks like, and will be cued throughout class to maintain that distance from classmates.*
3. *We ask that participants use the restroom before arriving at class. If participants need to use the restroom, their escort will be the adult who brought them to class. If this adult is not present, a coach and a buddy will have to escort them while maintaining a safe distance from one another.*
4. *We ask that adults serve as role models by maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from other adults while observing class.*
5. *To minimize potential for physical contact, participants will have personal practice zones, skill stations will be well spread out, and rotations will follow a designated path.*

CLEAR & CONCISE COMMUNICATION

1. *A new waiver has been added to the registration process regarding your child's wellness and their subsequent participation in class in regards to Covid-19.*
2. *Signs will be posted reminding participants of the procedures and guidelines to keeping safe and well in regards to Covid-19.*
3. *We will rely on emails, our website, and the Remind text service to maintain communication.*
4. **COMMUNICATION OF POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST:**
 - a. *If First Tee is informed of a positive COVID-19 test of any participant, mentor, or coach, First Tee will communicate with all others who may have had contact with said individual as soon as possible. The anonymity of the individual who received the positive test will be maintained.*
 - b. *If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test and attended class at First Tee in the prior 14 days, we ask that you immediately contact us and inform us of the test.*