

## The Little League ASAP Mission

To increase awareness of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for children, volunteers and all Little League participants.

### Mountain View Little League Safety Plan

The goal of the Safety Plan is to develop guidelines for increasing the safety in the three key areas of Activities, Equipment, and Facilities. MVLL commits itself to providing the necessary organizational structure to develop, monitor, and enforce the aspects of this plan.

The Mountain View Little League Board of Directors has adopted the Safety Code, and it is enforced by the League President, the Safety Officer (SO), the League's Vice President, the Player Agents and the Chief Umpire. All league Officers, participants, and volunteers are required to abide by this code

Mountain View Little League (MVLL) operates under a charter granted by Little League Baseball. MVLL is governed by an annually elected Board of Directors. The Board follows the guidelines of the Little League Handbook, Manual, and Official Regulations and Playing Rules (O.R.P.R.), and Little League Constitution and Bylaws.

A copy of the Little League rules may be found online at <u>Little League International</u>. MVLL reserves the right to make decisions that are in the best interest of the League and players, and comply with the Little League guidelines.

MVLL is a 501c(3) corporation filed with the state of Arizona. The organization is governed by a Constitution on file with Little League International as well as can be found on our website.

A copy of this plan will be made available via the MVLL website and copy in the concession stand and shed.

# **EMERGENCY & KEY CONTACT INFORMATION**

## CALL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY

<u>Department</u>	Phone Number
Honor Health Scottsdale Shea 9003 E. Shea Blvd.	24 hr Emergency 480-323-3000
Scottsdale Fire Department	Emergency 911 Non-Emergency 480-312-8911
Scottsdale Police Department	Emergency 911 Non-Emergency 480-312-5000
Poison Control	800-222-1222
City of Scottsdale After Hours	602-228-8339

# **MVLL Board Member Contact Information**

President:	Janice Lajoie	480-486-4225
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League Info Coordinator:	Cinda Dyer	561-504-9559
Sponsorships:	Francesca Gemeroy	206-459-5271

# SAFETY CODE

- Responsibility for safety procedures should be that of an adult member of the local league.
- Arrangements should be made in advance of all games and practices for emergency medical services.
- Managers, coaches, and umpires should have some training in first-aid. First-Aid Kit should be available at the field.
- No games or practice should be held when weather or field conditions are not good, particularly when lighting is inadequate.
- Play area should be inspected frequently for holes, damage, glass, and other foreign objects.
- Dugouts and bat racks should be positioned behind screens.
- Only players, managers, coaches, and umpires are permitted on the playing field during play and practice sessions.
- Responsibility for keeping bats and loose equipment off the field of play should be that of a regular player assigned for this purpose.
- Procedure should be established for retrieving foul balls batted out of the playing area.
- During practice sessions and games, all players should be alert and watching the batter on each pitch.
- During warm up drills, players should be spaced so that no one is endangered by errant balls.
- Equipment should be inspected regularly. Make sure it fits properly.
- Pitching machines, if used, must be in good working order (including extension cords, outlets, etc.) and must be operated only by adult managers and coaches.
- Batters must wear protective NOCSAE helmets during practice, as well as during games.
- Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector, and shin guards. Male catchers must wear a protective supporter and cup at all times.
- Except when runner is returning to a base, head first slides are not permitted. This applies only to Little League (Majors), Minor League, and Tee Ball.
- During sliding practice bases should not be strapped down.
- At no time should "horse play" be permitted on the playing field.

- Parents of players who wear glasses should be encouraged to provide "Safety Glasses."
- Players must not wear watches, rings, pins, jewelry, hard cosmetic, or hard decorative items.
- Catchers must wear catcher's helmet, face mask, and throat guard in warming up pitchers. This applies between innings and in bullpen practice. Skull caps are not permitted.
- Batting/catcher's helmets should not be painted unless approved by the manufacturer.
- Regulations prohibit on-deck batters. This means no player should handle a bat, even while in an enclosure, until it is his/her time at bat. This applies only to Little League (Majors), Minor League, and Tee Ball.
- Players who are ejected, ill, or injured should remain under supervision until released to the parent or guardian.

## **BACKGROUND CHECKS**

Little League International requires local leagues to have all board members, managers, coaches, and other volunteers or hired workers who provide regular service to the league and/or who have repetitive access to or contact with players or teams to fill out the Little League Official Volunteer Application. The application includes an annual background check, including a nationwide criminal search, a search of the National Sex Offender Registry, review of the U.S. Center for SafeSport Centralized Disciplinary Database and Little League International Ineligible List.

MVLL utilizes J.D. Palatine (JDP), Little League's official background check provide integrated with our registration platform.

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### MANDATORY REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE

Arizona requires that a certain list of persons who reasonably believes that a child has been the victim of child abuse or neglect to immediately report known or suspected child abuse to a peace officer or the Department of Child Safety or to a Tribal Law Enforcement or Social Services Agency for any Indian minor who resides on an Indian Reservation.

## **MANAGER & COACH TRAINING**

MVLL will provide the following resources for all Managers & Coaches:

- Fundamentals Training: hitting, sliding, fielding, pitching
- First Aid Training
- Tee Ball Coach Manual
- Coach Pitch Manual

The League expectation is at least one coach or manager from each team will attend annually.

### PLAYING FIELDS & EQUIPMENT

MVLL provides maintenance of the fields and prepares them for games. Field conditions can change rapidly therefore, prior to the start of any game it will be the responsibility of the umpires, managers and coaches to inspect the field of play for safety related issues.

No games or practices should be held when weather or field conditions are deemed unsafe for play due to excessive moisture, wind, smoke, or any amount of lightning.

Only players, managers, coaches, and umpires are permitted on the playing field or in the dugout during games and practice sessions.

Equipment should be inspected regularly by the team's manager and coaches to ensure the equipment is in good/safe condition and is of proper fit for the players. Faulty, bad, or worn out equipment is unsafe, and must be removed from use immediately. All team equipment should be stored within the team dugout, or behind screens, and not within the area defined as "in play".

# LIGHTNING EVACUATION PROCEDURES

During practices, games, or other MVLL official activities, the team manager is ultimately responsible for player safety whether or not the manager is present at the activity. Therefore, team managers must ensure all assistant coaches are adequately trained and fully understand all MVLL safety procedures, including the Lightning Evacuation Procedure.

#### Lightning Evacuation Criteria:

If <u>any of the criteria is present</u>, lightning evacuation procedures must be executed immediately.

- 1. If the sound of thunder is audible at all, or
- 2. Lightning is visible and moving in the direction of the field.
- 3. If a lightning strike is detected within a 10-mile radius.

#### **Lightning Evacuation Action Plan**

In the event either criteria are present, the following steps must be executed:

1. Stop play immediately.

2. All players and adults on the field must enter their dugout, umpires should go to the fieldhouse

3. Stay protected until instructed by a League Officer.

4. Play may not resume until a minimum of 15 minutes passed since the last audible sound of thunder occurred.

5. If a second strike occurs within 15 minutes, games will be called.

# FIRST-AID KITS

Every Team will be issued First-Aid kit and instant ice packs at the beginning of the season. This First-Aid kit is required to be brought to all team practices and games.

In addition to the team-issued Fist-Aid kits, MVLL maintains the following at the concession stand and shed an extra first aid kits and instant ice packs. Team managers and coaches should inform the Safety Officer if First Aid Supplies are running low or are missing.

# INJURY REPORTING PROCEDURES

All managers, coaches, parents, umpires, and volunteers must use the following reporting procedures in response to injuries.

#### WHAT TO REPORT

An incident or injury that causes any player, manager, coach, umpire, volunteer or spectator to receive medical treatment and/or first aid, **must be reported to the Safety Officer (SO)** within 24 hrs. The terms "medical treatment and/or first aid" should include even passive

treatments such as the evaluation and diagnosis of the extent of the injury. Any incident that (a) causes a player to miss any practice or game time; or (b) any event that has the potential to require medical assistance must be reported promptly. If in doubt whether or not an injury should be reported – Report It.

To report an injury or an incident, complete and email the Incident/Injury Tracking Report to the Safety Officer.

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### **GENERAL HEALTH**

#### MEDICAL APPROVAL AND RELEASE

The Liability Release & Medical Aid Consent Form is completed by Parents or Legal Guardians of all team players during the League Registration process; electronic copies of these executed documents are retained within the league registration system.

If feeling unwell or symptoms of a fever, cough or other flu and cold symptoms players should not attend practice and/or games.

#### **Infectious Skin Diseases**

Strategies for reducing the potential exposure to these infectious agents include:

- Athletes must notify a parent/guardian and coach of any skin lesion prior to any competition or practice. An appropriate health-care professional shall evaluate all skin lesions before returning to practices or competition.
- If an outbreak occurs on a team, especially in a contact sport, all team members should be evaluated to help prevent the potential spread of the infection. All shared equipment shall be properly cleaned/disinfected prior to use.
- Coaches, officials, and appropriate health-care professionals must follow Little League, state, or local guidelines on "time until return to competition." Participation with a covered lesion may be considered if in accordance with Little League, state, or local guidelines and the lesion is no longer contagious.

#### **Blood-borne Infectious Diseases**

Strategies for reducing the potential exposure to these agents include:

- An athlete who is bleeding, has an open wound, has any amount of blood on his/her uniform, or has blood on his/her person, shall be directed to leave the activity (game or practice) until the bleeding is stopped, the wound is covered, the uniform and/or body is appropriately cleaned, and/or the uniform is changed before returning to activity.
- Athletic trainers or other caregivers must wear gloves and use Universal Precautions to prevent blood or body fluid-splash from contaminating themselves or others.
- In the event of a blood or body fluid-splash, immediately wash contaminated skin or mucous membranes with soap and water.
- Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with disinfectant before returning to competition. Be sure to use gloves when cleaning.
- Any blood exposure or bites to the skin that break the surface must be reported and immediately evaluated by an appropriate health-care professional.

#### **Other Communicable Diseases including Covid-19**

Means of reducing the potential exposure to these agents include:

- Appropriate vaccination of athletes, coaches, officials and staff as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).
- During times of outbreaks, follow the guidelines set forth by the CDC as well as state and local Health Departments.
- MVLL will adhere to the City of Scottsdale's and Arizona COVID-19 guidelines located here: <u>https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/news/coronavirus-update</u> and <u>https://azgovernor.gov/executive-orders</u>

# **CONCUSSION TRAINING**

To utilize the facilities of SUSD, Team Managers and Coaches are required to provide proof of completed concussion training. Training is provided at no charge during the volunteer registration process.



# **CONCESSION STAND**

MVLL operates a concession stand that offers only pre-packaged foods that do not time/temperature control for safety of foods. The operation is exempt from holding a permit with Maricopa County Health Department, however, holds a current license with the City of Scottsdale.