

# MARLINGTON ATHLETICS

*Return to Play*

Fall 2020

**UPDATE 8/4/20**



FALL ATHLETICS GUIDELINES & PROTOCOLS GRADES 7-12



Official practices for fall athletics  
began on August 1, 2020.

The following presentation is based on the information that we know today. If there are changes to this plan, the athletic department will reach back out to you. We realize there are many changes and many inconveniences this year compared to previous years, but we believe that *our athletes are worth it!*



# Positive Covid-19 Test Protocols:

## If a coach or player tests positive for Covid-19

If coach/player has been in direct contact with the team within 48 hours before symptoms present - that team may quarantine for 14 days

## Return to Game timeframe

Will be dependent on the needed practice time to become game ready safely

## Health Department Guidelines will be followed

The Athletic Director will contact the health department and implement their guidelines.

## All Head Coaches will be notified

Head coaches of all sports will be notified and will communicate to the parents of their athletes.

## Parent Responsibility

Parents are required to contact the Athletic Department if someone in their household has tested positive for Covid-19

## Athlete Responsibility

If an athlete has been in direct contact with a Covid-19 positive person, the athlete may be directed to quarantine for 14 days.

Prior to your first practice...

**\*You MUST have a valid physical on file in the Athletic Department.**

**\*ALL Online Athletics forms MUST be completed.**

If you are not able to log in to your online forms account please contact Mrs. Mitchell in the athletic office for assistance.



The OHSAA is asking that you view the "Ohio High School Athletic Association Acknowledgement & Pledge"

The Marlington Athletic Department is not requiring this pledge to be signed at this time.

# Practice Protocols

\*Please take your athletes' temperature prior to leaving home. If that temperature is above 100.4 degrees, call your coach and keep your athlete at home.

Players will need to have 72 hours of temperatures less than 100.4 degrees (without acetaminophen or ibuprofen) before returning to practices.

\*Practices are still mandatory, however if you contact your coach prior to a missed practice the absence will be considered excused. A decrease in playing time will be at the discretion of the coach.

As always, missing practice without contacting your coach prior may result in consequences.

\*If a player exhibits symptoms during practice or their temperature is above 100.4 degrees a parent will be called to come pick them up.

*Practice Protocols continued...*

\*Please bring your own water bottle marked with your name on it. Water filling stations will be available. Water fountains will not.

Athletes who do not bring a water bottle will not be permitted to practice.

\*Face Masks must be worn when arriving/checking in to practice.



**\*WASH YOUR HANDS!**

Once an athlete has checked in with their coach they will be asked to go to the restroom and wash their hands for 20 seconds. Restroom use will be limited to one athlete at a time.

\*ALL coaches will be wearing a face covering.

\*ALL athletes will wear a face covering until practice begins.

## *Practice Protocols continued...*

### **\*Sanitizer will be available at all practices**

All equipment used during practices will be sanitized by each athlete.

### **\*ALL athletes will put face covering back on when practice ends.**

### **\*WASH YOUR HANDS AGAIN!**

Once an athlete has checked out with their coach they will be advised to go to the restroom again and wash their hands for 20 seconds prior to leaving.

### **\*Athletes will take all clothing items with them after practices.**

### **\*Our custodians will sanitize each locker room and restroom.**

Custodians will place tape (with the date) on each locker room and restroom door indicating it has been cleaned and sanitized.

# Game Day Procedures: Athletes



## \*HOME GAMES & Scrimmages\*

\*Coaches will take athlete temperatures prior to the game.

\*Athletes will bring their own water bottle clearly marked with their name.

\*There will be no spectators permitted for any scrimmages. All Football and Soccer scrimmages have been canceled.

\*At this time there will be no spectators permitted for contact sport games; Football and Soccer.

***\*Info regarding ticket sales & spectators for non-contact sports will be available at a later date\****



# Game Day Procedures: Fans & Spectators

\*All fans/spectators may have their temperature taken prior to admittance.



\*All fans/spectators will wear a face covering upon entry.

\*Social Distancing guidelines should be followed at all times. Please maintain a 6ft distance from fans who do not reside in your household.

***\*Info regarding ticket sales & spectators for non-contact sports will be available at a later date\****

# Game Day Procedures: Athletes



## \*AWAY GAMES\*

\*Coaches will take athlete temperatures prior to boarding the bus.

\*Athletes will wear face coverings on the bus. The bus is limited to 44 passengers, 2 passengers per seat.

\*Athletes will bring their own water bottle clearly marked with their name.

***\*Info regarding ticket sales & spectators for non-contact sports will be available at a later date\****

*Keeping our athletes and coaches safe.*

The Marlinton Athletic Department will follow all Stark County Health Department Guidelines.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Athletic Director, Steve Miller at [s\\_miller@marlingtonlocal.org](mailto:s_miller@marlingtonlocal.org)

*Thank you for your support!*

