

ASAA Soccer State Championships COVID-19 Requirements

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Points of Emphasis

- We will not allow any soccer event to take place unless all protocols can be followed.
- We recommend that people who are at increased risk for severe illness including coaches, students, staff and officials, consult with their health care provider to determine whether participation in activities or events is prudent under the circumstances. Information from the CDC on who are at increased risk can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/>
- There will be a designated individual on site responsible for monitoring and following all screening, cleaning, and social distancing protocols.
- Teams are required to screen their participants prior to arriving at the venue and submit a report to ASAA upon arriving at the school
- Teams are responsible to bring their own towels, hand sanitizer and medical kits. OPA will be onsite.

Facilities

- Cleaning and disinfecting will be conducted in compliance with CDC. The most current guidelines can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/clean-disinfect/index.html>
- Bleacher seating will be marked and restricted such that there is 6 feet of physical distancing and every other row is unoccupied.
- Hand sanitizer will be available to all attendees. Announcements will be made encouraging all individuals to use often.
- Team benches may be on the same side of the field. Spectators behind the benches will be limited.
- Concessions will be available

Attendees

- Prior to attending advisors, coaches, supervisors & participants must sign a waiver of liability related to COVID-19.
- Teams will only be allowed to enter the stadium 30 minutes prior to the start of their game.
- Teams must leave the facility 15 minutes following the conclusion of their game.
- Spectators will be allowed in the stadium no sooner than 15 minutes prior to game time and must leave immediately following the conclusion of the game.
- All attendees must have a mask on at all times .This includes but not limited to coaches, athletes, spectators, officials, media, and anyone else in attendance. (See Mask Protocols)

- Players may remove their masks when they take the field. Masks must be put back on when they leave the field and return to the bench.
- Center referees have the option to not wear a mask
- Individuals must bring their own water bottle that is labeled and filled. No sharing of water bottles.
- No pre or post-game handshakes or high fives between teams.
- Avoid all non-sport related contact. Example: high fives, fist/elbow bumps, group celebrations, huddles, etc.

2021 ASAA Soccer Operational Details

- Follow all NFHS Soccer Rules Considerations.
- There will be no access to the school or locker rooms. Teams are to come dressed to play.
- Balls will be sanitized prior to and after use by wiping down with a non-alcohol wipes.
- Warm-up balls will be provided.
- Sanitized back up balls will be at the score table.
- Plastic shields covering the entire face will not be allowed in soccer due to the risk of unintended injury to the person wearing the shield or others.
- Team benches will be limited to essential personnel.
- Benches will be spaced for social distancing.
- Because yelling and cheering are discouraged artificial noise makers that do not interfere with the official's whistle are allowed. No use of airhorns or megaphones.